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### THE STATE BANK OF NEW YORK AND ITS TROUBLES.

Whatever differences of opinion may prevail as to other aspects of the trouble of Tuesday in the Bank of the State of New York, all parties must agree that it has afforded an opportunity for observing both the strength and the weakness of our National banking system. Here we have an institution of high standing, half a century old, enjoying a distinguished reputation and numbering among its stockholders several bankers of this city of great wealth and experience. This bank, which seemed to be so stable in other respects, had a capital of \$2,000,000, with a sworn surplus, December 17, 1875, of \$400,000. Tried by the ordinary tests of solvency and strength, the State Bank seemed one of the most trustworthy of our moneyed corporations. Its owners were known to be rich, its conservative habits of business were proverbial, its reserves of

legal tenders were always ample. A week ago it would have seemed as ridiculous to have suspected the stability of this respectable old banking corporation as in London before 1866 to have doubted the solvency of Overend Gurney & Company. Even last Saturday the greenback reserve was reported at \$1,095,500, with \$325,000 of specie, giving a total of \$1,420,500 of lawful money, against \$2,855,200 of deposits, and \$247,900 of circulation. With such a statement as this it cannot seem strange that the report that the bank had closed its doors, and had been suspended from the Clearing-House, was received at first with incredulity, and then with dismay. The masses of the people reason rapidly under the pressure of such a shock, and there was a general disposition to jump to the conclusion that if this bank had fallen others would also succumb, and scarcely any one was safe. The whole National system of banks, it was contended, must be weak, indeed, if this institution was so. Soon, however, the explanation came and quieted the incipient panic. The general alarm soon subsided when the substance of the report of the Bank Examiner was announced, that by bad banking the capital of \$2,000,000 had been impaired to the extent of more than a million and a quarter, and that among the unavailable assets were overdrafts, protested paper, and loans to the Vice-President of the bank amounting to \$230,000. The surprise and dismay which at first prevailed were turned into satisfaction that the mischief had been brought to light, mingled with complaints that the disclosure had not been made before. We shall not dwell now upon the details of this disaster, which will be found reported in another column. Our purpose is simply to glance at some of the lessons it is adapted to teach us.

The first of these suggestions is, as we have said, the weakness of our National banking system. Every financial man knows that in any banking system of modern times there are three general directions in which to look for the signs of weakness and danger. One is in the cash reserves. If any commercial country which pretends to regulate its banking machinery does not take care that its banks keep within instant reach an adequate supply of cash to meet demand obligations, that country will find sooner or later that its banking fabric is weak on the side which is unprotected, however strongly buttressed it may be on other sides. A second source of possible weakness in any banking system is in the note circulation. In England, Sir Robert Peel, in his legislation of 1819 and 1844, applied an effective remedy to this second cause of trouble, while the first is less perfectly provided for, and will hereafter, no doubt,

give distinction to the name of some future legislator of Great Britain. In this country both these evils are provided with remedies. In regard to the bank reserves and to the safety of the bank circulation, our National system of banking is believed to be peculiarly strong.

But there is a third cause of weakness, namely, that of "bad business." All banks are liable to have their funds squandered in bad loans made by lazy, or corrupt, or incompetent officials. This is, perhaps, the most frequent cause of bank failures. It is the disease which most frequently proves fatal to individual banks, and therefore if financial science or banking experience can point us to any safeguards that can be used for the extirpation of this fatal malady, they ought to be put in force, and kept in force in all their wholesome and conservative vigor. How far this disease of "bad business" affects the National banks throughout the country it is not for us to say. We have no adequate information. What is proved is, that a single bank had held for some time a million dollars of unavailable assets, and no one suspected the fact except the inculpated officials. We have often insisted upon the duty of the Comptroller of the Currency and his examiners to keep up a vigilant search for such evils. The event we are discussing presents this duty in a new light, and enforces it with urgent sanctions.

But this leads us to consider, secondly, the strength of our National banking system. That system partakes of the elasticity and power of adapting itself to circumstances which is said to be characteristic of our other institutions. If the weakness of our National banking system were much greater and its exposure to danger more imminent, it is often said that the inherent force of the banking organism would develop some new feature to cope with the new evil. However this may be, the evil before us is fully provided for, as is proved by the swiftness and energy with which it was dealt with in the Bank of the State of New York. The process was equally simple and efficient. The official examiner, in the regular course of his investigations, discovered the misdoing. He summoned the officers of the Bank. They failed to put the bank assets in an available shape. The facts were reported to Washington. The Clearing House investigated the Bank and suspended it by an overwhelming vote. When suspended, the Bank, with a folly equal to its previous mismanagement, closed its doors, though it had in its vaults a million and a half of lawful money, with other assets, amply sufficient to pay all its debts and return a million of dollars or more to the stockholders. Of course, the appointment of a receiver for a bank in such a condition was not to be thought of. This is not, however, the advantage we chiefly insist upon. It is rather the promptitude with which the discovery of the trouble was made. Of course, if the evil had gone on unchecked, it would have soon grown to more disastrous dimensions. How, then, was it found out? Its disclosure was due to the fact that our National banking system is provided with a detective machinery for the express purpose of bringing to light this kind of banking abuses. Of this machinery the chief part is the appointment of bank examiners, who are accomplished experts in banking. Their duty is to go in turn into every National bank in the country, to examine its condition for the detection of just such evils as have here been brought to light. In this case the Examiner seems to have acted with commendable fidelity, and the only question is whether if this officer were not so overworked, and if he could have visited the bank oftener than once a year, he could not have stopped the mis-

chief at an earlier stage. That the bank examiners should be sufficiently numerous to go their regular rounds among the banks, twice or thrice a year, is an opinion which has frequently been expressed in financial circles. From the facts of this case, it receives some confirmation.

#### THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE SAVINGS BANKS.

"The state of the savings banks," it has been said, "is often the barometer of the financial situation." On this principle, and with a view to further action, the Legislature at Albany ordered, some time ago, the publication of the savings bank aggregates of this city. The figures have evoked considerable criticism. Surprise has in some quarters been expressed that the deposits this year compare unfavorably, in certain respects, with those of previous years. The aggregate deposits show a slight increase, but the amount deposited during the year, including the interest credited, was only \$80,900,863. As the interest was \$9,859,148, it appears that the total deposits of the year amounted to \$71,041,715; but the deposits withdrawn amounted to \$75,086,606. It thus appears that over four millions were drawn out of these banks in excess of the sum deposited during the year. Some of the stronger as well as of the weaker savings banks in the city show a balance against them, the sums withdrawn being greater than those deposited. This is seen by the following table, which shows the aggregate deposits held by the various banks, together with the amount received and withdrawn in 1875:

DEPOSITS AND WITHDRAWALS OF SAVINGS BANKS, IN THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1875.

	Total Deposits.	Deposited in 1875.*	Withdrawn in 1875.
Abingdon Square .....	\$143,703	\$1 2,866	\$165,729
Bond Street .....	1,729,039	770,568	827,681
Clinton .....	150,168	153,469	180,370
East Side .....	12,747	26,520	39,766
Eleventh Ward .....	538,488	505,898	694,286
Equitable (closing) .....	6,349	75,089	113,560
Excelsior .....	382,864	1,449,576	1,388,411
Franklin .....	1,403,916	1,373,901	1,549,888
German of Morrisania .....	501,229	1,281,906	1,379,361
Harlem .....	906,398	708,363	788,328
Mechanics' and Traders' .....	1,977,502	600,531	1,030,684
Morrisania .....	163,573	748,917	783,377
New Amsterdam .....	752,163	548,736	565,847
New York .....	3,030,311	1,080,519	1,145,917
Security (failed) .....	394,449	454,151	729,302
Sixpenny .....	2,311,453	3,695,158	3,993,516
Tenania .....	1,902,323	1,916,701	2,014,673
West Side .....	310,871	426,995	453,466
Yorkville .....	24,641	257,626	266,246

\* Including interest.

It is scarcely necessary to say that the movement above indicated is the result of well known and obvious causes. Our savings bank system is the reservoir in which a multitude of families store up their reserve funds, for use in hard times. The operative classes of the community, to whom these reserves belong, are not earning as large wages as formerly. Some of these men are out of work, others are paid for their work at lower rates, while others again have as steady and as large wages as ever. With the utmost economy on the part of those who are wholly or partly without work, some drain is pretty sure to be made upon the accumulations of the past; and as to the other classes of depositors—those who earn less wages and those who earn full wages—some of them have left the city, and the public mind has been so violently agitated by the rumors of trouble among the savings institutions that we need not wonder that they withdrew their deposits, even if they replaced them in bank afterwards. On the contrary, if we take a candid survey of the circumstances, we shall find ground for surprise that the depletion of the savings bank deposits has not been more active. The follow-



ing table shows the principal aggregates for the last three years, with the deposits and chief investments:

AGGREGATES OF NEW YORK SAVINGS BANKS, 1873-1875.			
	1873.	1874.	1875.
Total deposits.....	\$170,998,796	\$180,010,733	\$184,188,216
Surplus.....	13,026,576	15,053,379	20,687,722
Cash on hand.....	4,756,083	3,138,374	4,161,508
Cash in bank, &c.....	8,402,796	10,433,521	9,439,246
Bonds and mortgages.....	61,771,561	61,917,332	65,288,887
United States stocks.....	30,395,600	38,781,566	46,181,587
All stocks and bonds at cost.....	97,336,579	103,380,185	105,943,810
"    "    at par.....	96,366,108	101,591,280	105,675,900
"    "    estim'd market value.....	99,942,815	108,339,645	115,326,220
Loans on stock collaterals.....	4,161,307	2,479,308	3,516,954

These statistics throw considerable light on several points connected with our savings bank system. They illustrate the incipient effects of the general savings bank act which went into operation last year. This new law enforced a more full and complete statement of the condition of the banks. They now have to report all stocks and bonds at cost price, as well as at their estimated market value and their value at par. This single provision, if enforced by proper penalties for false statements, will prevent the repetition of such scandals as have recently disfigured the annals of some of our broken banks. Another important change in the law concerns the call loans. The available fund for such loans under the old charters ranged from one-tenth to one-third of the total deposits, and was sometimes lent on securities in which the bank trustees were personally interested. This fruitful source of evil has been remedied under the new law, which limits the available fund for call loans to ten per cent of the aggregate deposits, and prescribes the best securities as those which alone are to be taken as collaterals.

The full effect of this provision is not seen in the foregoing figures, for the simple reason that call loans have been unpopular with the savings banks as well as unremunerative during the last three years. When, however, the rates for money in Wall street rise once more to a high level, the old temptations which led astray some of our savings institutions in former years will be prevented from doing similar mischief by the salutary restrictions of the new law. It is to be regretted that this act does not enforce a more frequent publication of the statistics of the savings banks. The official publication ought to be made three or four times a year, instead of once, as is appointed at present. It would conduce to the establishment of the public confidence, if the statements of these institutions were published quarterly with the reports of the State banks.

Another point of interest in the foregoing table is in the proof it gives us that the investments of the savings institutions are preferring bonds and stocks, instead of mortgages on real estate. There is no doubt that this is a judicious innovation. We have always held that a mortgage on improved real estate, at a low valuation, is one of the best forms of security in which to invest a certain proportion of savings bank money. But our banks already hold the full amount to which the best authorities limit this class of investment. Moreover, a considerable aggregate of real estate appears to have fallen, during the year, by foreclosure or otherwise, into the hands of the savings institutions.

Taking the whole of the facts together there is abundant reason to regard the present position of the savings banks of this city with satisfaction, or at least with less of anxiety than appeared to be justified a short time ago. There are, it is true, a number of weak banks over which Mr. Superintendent Ellis will, of course, keep a strict watch. During the last ten years the rage for savings bank organization exhausted itself, and most of the superfluous institutions here and elsewhere have

perished without inflicting so much loss upon the general community as was expected. To the inordinate multiplicity of savings institutions we must doubtless ascribe most of their failures which have taken place during the last four years. Another fruitful cause of trouble has been the incapacity or corruption of the officers whom the law in its present state appears incapable to reach and adequately to punish for breach of trust. Of course we must also attribute a part of the savings bank troubles to the perturbation of our finances and the approach of specie payments. But it is well known that an efficiently conducted savings institution is better provided than other monied institutions with safeguards against such general causes of financial perturbation. The State Legislature has done well to cause an early publication of the foregoing figures, and if they will pass a brief law requiring a quarterly report from every savings institution, the aggregates to be published like those of the State banks, they will confer a signal benefit, not only upon the savings banks and their depositors, but upon the general public.

#### SILVER RESUMPTION.

It is well known that the Treasury now has in its possession about \$15,000,000 of silver coin ready for issue, having made this preparation in obedience to the act of 1875, and that the experiment of substituting silver for the fractional currency is likely soon to be tried. We say designedly "experiment," for, under the existing circumstances, we can regard it as nothing else.

By those who favor the plan, not a little has been published lately to prove that silver is a more economical currency than paper, and great prominence is given this consideration, as if it were of paramount importance. In support of the allegation of cheapness to the Government, figures are published as to the cost of the present fractional currency which, although official, we are compelled to question, because it is not shown whether the currency is made as cheaply as it could be; and whether the renewal of it is not unnecessarily rapid. We do not stop to discuss these points, however, as this portion of the inquiry is of very little significance. Were we to grant all that is claimed, we do not conceive that the problem of silver resumption, at the present time, would be one step nearer solution. All we care to say is that if silver is a cheaper currency than paper, the fact is remarkable, and is contradictory of all beliefs hitherto held, for there is no better confirmed principle about money than that the use of a nearly non-intrinsically valuable material for the great bulk of transactions is both convenient and economical, provided only that ready convertibility into gold is retained.

Turning, then, from this point, we come to the most emphasized argument of the silver resumptionists, and that is that silver payments will help us prepare for resumption, and we are bound to consider this idea to have been the reason of the silver clause in the Sherman act of 1875; Mr. Sherman has repeated it in his speech within the past week. But is this conclusion so unquestionably clear? The Government is not in default on the fractional currency, and never was; the bits of paper bear no formal promise, but are made, by a sentence on their backs, exchangeable for United States notes, and this understanding has always been fulfilled. The silver must be bought with gold direct, or by issuing bonds, or with notes; whatever is paid for it, the process weakens to the same extent the Government ability to pay its notes by exhausting, in the attempt to perform a

contract never made, the strength that is needed in preparation for paying its long dishonored notes. Instead of helping resumption, the issue of silver will, therefore, it would seem, be so far a hindrance to it. The plea that the people will learn to desire resumption by becoming once more accustomed to the touch and sight of coin has plausibility, and so far there might be a good result; but we incline to think that the importance of this is exaggerated, and that whether the silver will be much sought, after curiosity is satisfied—except as the fractional currency, through use and not being renewed, becomes much defaced and on that account undesirable—is one of the uncertainties.

But a far more important inquiry than any we have noticed is whether the silver currency, even after it is issued, will stay out. We do not doubt that the early issues at least will be readily taken by the people. Curiosity alone will "float" a considerable amount, and the familiar principle that the worst currency always expels the better will help the substitution, for the fractional currency is now actually worth about four cents on the dollar more than the subsidiary coin. But to see what will follow we must examine the conditions as they exist at present. Supposing the real (gold) value of silver itself to remain stationary, the continuance of the silver will be necessarily dependent upon the gold premium, or, in other words, upon the value of the greenback. A decline in the gold premium will increase the difference in gold value between the silver and the paper, and will tend to render the former non-acceptable. How strong this tendency will be, depends upon the degree to which the paper appreciates, but how great its effect will be it is impossible to say. On the contrary, if the gold premium rises, the present difference between the subsidiary coin and the fractional currency will lessen, and if the rise should continue to 120 or above, the silver will become the more valuable; in that case it is indisputable that the silver will disappear again, as it disappeared in 1861. Whether its disappearance would follow as soon as the silver became any more valuable than the paper is not certain, but of the inevitable tendency there is no room for doubt. Should that result be experienced, the fractional currency having been meanwhile withdrawn, a resort to postage stamps and various shillings would again be necessary.

These remarks are based upon the supposition that silver remains stationary in value, and they show what may follow in that case. But another cause of uncertainty must be named: silver may not remain stationary. If it should rise in value—which does not seem likely—the subsidiary coin would receive an impulse to go out of circulation; if it should decline further, the effect of such decline would be the same in kind as that of a decline in the gold premium. A decline in the gold value of silver and in the gold premium—or, to be exact, a decline in silver, together with a rise in paper—would bring two causes into operation to depreciate the silver and make it non-acceptable as a currency; a rise in the price of silver and in the gold premium would bring the causes into operation to so appreciate the silver in respect to paper as to sweep it out of circulation; a decline in silver with a rise in the gold premium, or a rise in silver with a fall in the gold premium, would set in operation two causes working against each other. What is silver likely to do, and what is gold? The latter question it would be pure conjecture to answer; as to the other, there are some very significant data. The production of silver has been, as we all know, enormously on the increase of late years,

although it is but fair to cite, and admit as not unreasonable, the plea of Senator Jones that a moderate further decline in the price would stop or at least check production at some of the mines; with this increase of supply there has been and is now a diminution of demand, which seems likely to continue somewhat further. As proof and reason it is necessary only to mention that some of the European nations have demonetized it, and there does not appear to be any considerably increasing use for it in the arts. On the other hand, there is the possibility that the demonetizing process may in some one or more nations be reversed, such changes of policy not being altogether unprecedented; and there is also the Eastern outlet. The former of these will probably not be at all speedy; the other is one of the difficult financial questions of the day.

We throw out these suggestions, not as conclusive that silver, when once issued, is again to go out of sight, but simply to indicate the uncertainties of the problem, and to ask whether, with such uncertainties, it is wise for the Government to enter upon the plan. More especially does the expediency of the experiment seem doubtful when taken in connection with the further fact we have raised, that in making it we are using resources which might be applied for securing gold with which to redeem our greenback circulation.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR COTTON PLANTERS.

Messrs. Smith, Edwards & Co., in their circular of Feb. 29, give us their opinion of the probable cotton supply, consumption and course of prices for 1876, as follows:

Now let us look at this year's supply. Take the American crop at 4,600,000 bales, what will be the supply from other quarters? We allow an increase of 100,000 large bales from Egypt on the average of the last three years, possibly 150,000 bales; but we look for a very heavy decrease from India. This will arise, not so much from the shortness of the crop, as from the extremely low price and the paralysis of the machinery for moving the crops of that country. At this period of the year the greater proportion of the Bombay crop is usually contracted for up country, and every effort is being made to hurry it down as fast as possible to Bombay, and ship it off against arrival sales made on this side. This year the machinery of the trade is almost at a standstill. Hardly any cotton is being placed on this side; few contracts are being made at Bombay; the arrivals thus far are scarcely one-half what they were last year, and it is our impression that, if no recovery takes place before the month of May, one-fourth of the crop will not be shipped to Europe this year.

We therefore incline to think that 300,000 to 400,000 bales less cotton will arrive from India this year, and no doubt some deficiency from other sources as well. Therefore we should say that 2,400,000 is a full allowance for the supply from other quarters than America, against 2,700,000 the last three years, but owing to the preponderance of Egyptian cotton, in place of counting this as equal to 1,800,000 American, we shall reckon it 1,900,000 bales of American size, and the total supply for this season will be—

American crop.....	4,600,000 bales.
Other kinds equal to American.....	1,900,000 "
	6,500,000 "
Consumption of Europe and America.....	6,400,000 "
Surplus of supply over consumption.....	100,000 "

and this, we think, will all go to increase the invisible stocks of spinners, which were very low last autumn, and are likely to be pretty large the coming one, especially on the Continent.

We therefore venture the opinion that the visible supply of cotton on the 1st October next will be no greater than last year, and people will then be arguing that if a crop of 4,600,000 has all disappeared, what supply shall we need for the following season?

Our impression is that a great rise of prices will take place if the opinion prevails that next crop is not likely to be more than four millions. If next season is an average one, we do not think more than this can be calculated on, especially as these low prices are likely to give a certain check to cotton cultivation in America. At present the prevailing opinion in that country seems to be that no check will be given; there is, of course, no certainty on this point, but we incline to think that cotton cultivation in the northern belt, where it is largely kept up by using fertilizers, will diminish; possibly this may be made up in the southwest, but we doubt it.

We feel sure that in most other countries cotton cultivation will decline at present prices. India only yielded half a million of bales annually for some years before the American war, with Fair Dhollerah at 5d. per lb. Of late years it has furnished 1½ million bales to Europe. We should think that at 4d. for Fair Dhollerah this may diminish to one million bales or so if these low prices continue long enough to fairly check cultivation. We think even Egypt, which is eminently adapted to cotton growing, will not keep up at the extraordinary low prices now ruling for Egyptian cotton, and there can be no doubt that Brazil, Turkey and the West Indies will fall back to a most insignificant position if present prices are to continue.



If we grant the above figures to be all correct, is it quite safe to rely upon the conclusion? We speak now to those who are preparing to plant cotton, for we do not wish them to be induced, by over sanguine expectations, to plant more than they can cultivate economically. The South is in no condition to venture money on shadows. This covering one's self all over with debt for the purpose of raising a few extra bales, on the expectation of a rise of a penny or more a pound, has become too monotonous to be even exciting. To return then to our question—is it quite safe to rely upon the above conclusion that there is likely to be a “great rise in prices?” We hope there will be, and there may be, but is it probable on the figures given?

First, it will be noticed that in the supply India is put down at a decrease of three to four hundred thousand bales, “not,” they say, “so much from the shortness of the crop, as from \* \* \* the paralysis of the machinery for moving the crop.” Hence, this estimate is on the basis that there will be a surplus left over there for next year. This is not unlikely. We have heard of those “surpluses” in this country before, and sad experience has taught us that their influence on the market is about as decided as if stacked up in Liverpool. And any man who plants cotton on the supposition that the India surplus may be counted out in forecasting the future, will find his conclusion based on very feeble premises.

Nor can we have the utmost faith in an immediate large reduction of the cotton acreage in India. This was the idea we had when the war closed and prices declined. But when we looked at the railroad map and saw what an immense amount of land had been brought within the reach of the market since 1860, we found reason for changing our views. With ante-war prices (5d. for fair Dholerah), and 435 miles of railroad (in 1860), India supplied the world with about 500,000 bales of cotton. Now the problem is, with 6,250 miles of railroad (this is the report for 1874, as we have not yet received the figures for 1875), and 4½d. for fair Dholerah, how much can we expect as the permanent supply? Remember, in the same connection, that ever since the India planting season of last summer began, fair Dholerah has ruled below 5d., and yet the acreage in some districts was increased this year; the present crop being less, simply because the weather has been unfavorable, as our reports have shown. Besides, if this “great rise in prices” is to be realized, it will come just at the time India is preparing to plant again, and hence would be a stimulant to increased acreage there. We cannot, therefore, feel that it is safe for the Southern planter to base his calculations on a largely decreased supply from India next year. Nor do we anticipate that there is to be an immediate reduction in the Egyptian cotton acreage. Brazil is more doubtful, but the bales are so small that the whole supply even now is less than 200,000 of our bales; cut it off one quarter and it is only equal to a loss of 50,000 bales American. As to other sources of supply, altogether they contributed in 1875 but 27,000,000 pounds, or (at 440 lbs. net) a little more than 60,000 American bales; deduct one-half, and an increase in our supply of 30,000 bales makes good the loss. We thus see that it will not do for us to run into debt much, for the purpose of planting cotton, on the belief that other countries will at once materially reduce their supply.

Then, again, would one be wise in risking his all on the venture that our next crop will be less than 4,000,000 bales? Of course it may be; but we must use our common sense in this matter, and does that tell us it is likely

to be? Remember that the object in what we are writing is to determine whether it is well for the planter to shut his eyes to the fact that prices are very low, and act as if there was going to be “a great rise.” What are the probabilities, then, as to acreage? In the Southwest there has been a considerable increase of labor; in fact, we believe that to be true of much of that section which has given such a good yield this year. Does that indicate a reduced acreage? Or do we hear as yet of any very material reduction in planting preparations in those States? The weather generally has also been very favorable for farm work. Then, again, would it not be well for us to bear in mind that the cotton secured in 1875 throughout that section was less than the amount raised, because of the unfavorable picking season? Consequently, we do not see the capabilities of the present acreage in the yield of this year. With regard to the Atlantic States, we think the chances are that there will be less planted; yet this is by no means certain. But granting such is to be the case, the yield of those States, with a favorable season, would even then be more than this year's yield. We are not saying what is to be, only what may be. Bringing all these possibilities and probabilities together, is there anything in the American prospect to encourage the running into debt to raise cotton?

These remarks do not cover the whole field by any means. More might be written to discourage the over-ambitious planter; and we may soon have something to say on the world's consumption and supply for 1876 which will throw further light on the same subject. But as the circular we have quoted from above is likely to be widely copied,—Mr. Smith's opinions being highly esteemed, and deservedly so,—we have felt that a few words of exception to the conclusion he reaches were desirable. We do not write with any foolish idea of restricting the planting, so that prices may be high. Such advice would be of no use if given, and would be every way weak and the object undesirable. But we think it is very important that the old plan, so many years followed, of doing everything on credit and going to the utmost limit of that credit in order that a few acres more may be cultivated, should be changed. Our motto would be, raise your own food and then raise as many bales of cotton as you can without becoming the slave of debt. And if some good Samaritan would have those words prominently posted on every plantation in the South, they might be heeded; and, if they were, it would take but few years to make that section the wealthiest portion of the country.

#### THE CENTENNIAL.

The progress of the buildings and other preparations for the Centennial has been so fully told by the newspaper correspondents that prior to the opening on the 10th of May there is little to be said concerning its merely visible aspects. The desired appropriation has been obtained, and the raising of funds is substantially accomplished; the buildings are so far advanced that it is safe to count upon perhaps less than the usual hurry and incompleteness at the opening; and although it is yet too early to know how the space will be filled, a successful exhibition is now assured. The first international exhibition, in 1851 in London, in the original “Crystal Palace,” covered twenty acres, and cost \$1,464,000; this prompted the New York exhibition of 1853, in the Crystal Palace building on Reservoir Square, afterwards destroyed by fire, covering but 5½

acres, and costing \$500,000. Then came successively the Paris exposition of 1855, covering 30 acres, and costing \$4,000,000; the London one of 1862, covering 24 acres, and costing \$2,300,000; the Paris one of 1867, covering 40½ acres, and costing \$4,596,763; the Vienna one of 1873, covering 50 acres, and costing \$9,850,000. The Centennial is to cover 60 acres, and to cost \$6,724,350, occupying, therefore, the largest area, and at an apparent economy of cost. These figures, of course, represent the cost of construction only. The total inclosed space is 230 acres. The floor space of 60 acres is exclusive of the space occupied by the buildings erected by other nations, these buildings being 15 to 20 in number; also those erected by the several States, some 18 or more; and those for general purposes connected with the exhibition. Comparing these figures with those of previous exhibitions, it is easy to see that in its size, at least, the Centennial is already assured of being a decided success.

What it will be in respect to quality more than quantity of goods, in respect to representation of the nations and the completeness with which what is shown will indicate their industrial condition, in respect to suggestive processes and (what is not a minor consideration) the comfort of visitors, of course, is yet to be shown; still great confidence is felt that in all these particulars it will excel. There has been no lack of occupation of the spaces allotted, in the proprietary sense, by other nations, and several of the oldest nations are the first to arrive with their goods and representatives. The whole exhibit of Egypt reached the grounds in January. The Japanese embassy and exhibit were only a few days later, and they have erected their own buildings by their own workmen. The Emperor of Brazil is himself expected to be present, and this is a guaranty of the best that vast empire can produce. A full representation is expected from our ancient neighbor, Mexico. From the States of Europe there is no deficiency in interest apparent.

A gathering of material products, an exhibition of natural wealth and of processes, and a spectacular occasion in which all nations bear parts, may be and should be made of great educational value. We scarcely know yet the natural resources of even our own country. The sight of our iron in ore and in sheets thinner than writing paper and proving its wonderful tenacity; of gold quartz, sliced smooth and brimming over with gold, like honey in the comb; silver cubes direct from the Big Bonanza; copper blocks from Lake Superior; some of all these polished and some in the rough; our tall corn and cane in juxtaposition with cotton in the boll; sections of great trees; samples of our rich soils; and of other of the materials Nature has placed at our disposal, will be one to inspire confidence in, and impart instruction to even ourselves. Of course, the exhibition of processes of manufacture is limited by the necessities of the case, but if this is managed wisely it may be made, partly by showing processes themselves and partly by furnishing the hints to be found in specimens taken at the successive stages of manufacture, as instructive, if not as gratifying to the eye of the mere sight-seer, as the display of completed products. Of how many and how varied schools this Exhibition may be the scene, to those who possess a discerning eye, will never be written; but previous exhibitions have been followed by a noticeable industrial stimulus and a brisker market, and from that fact the inference about the Centennial is fair. It will be, as well, a school of humanity, in which the domestic and industrial life of other nations may be studied, shown in

miniature. National characteristics may be read in a comparison of the tools used, without looking at their products. The difference is wide between the saw which the Italian or the Japanese holds, while he rubs the stick of wood upon it, and the American circular saw; but one has done its work as well as the other, when the stick is cut, and the real difference is in respect to speed. The Western is in a hurry; the Eastern has all the time there is, and makes no account of it in his operations. Steam would have built the Pyramids in far less time; but time was not an element of cost, for Egyptians were plenty and had nothing to do but haul. The peculiar American union of energy with impatience, which has conquered a continent and harnessed the forces of Nature, is keenly alive to the value of time; and the result is that our industrial activity has multiplied production, the aim having been not more perfection in the product than speed, and consequently economy, in its production. Accordingly, a comparative and analytical study of the Centennial cannot fail to furnish interesting evidence of the proposition that we surpass most other nations in respect to machinery and its uses, but that some of the others notably surpass us in ingenious uses of the bodily powers, and particularly in the training of the eye and the hand.

Finally, may we not express the hope that we may have a deliverance from all clap-trap. Let the Eagle rest. It is fair to expect a full representation of home products, because, in the first place, we are a show-loving people, running to the window and standing at the street corner at small provocation, and we believe thoroughly in "big things." In the second place, we are a nation of advertisers, keenly alive to blowing our individual trumpets, and just now, when trade is depressed and we have time to think of inviting it, there should be an unusual readiness to try the colossal advertising which the Exhibition offers. The same consideration should influence other nations, for Americans are large and desirable customers in the world's markets, and trade is nowhere so brisk that indifference to the prospect of wide markets is to be expected. We should therefore have a successful exhibition; but let us try on modesty and see how it befits us. To the extent that Nature has endowed us the praise is Nature's, and not ours; to the extent that we have used the dowry wisely we may take modest congratulations. The capable man is the quietest man, and there will be occasion enough for humility. We shall find that the Centennial will be in spots a sort of dramatization of Mr. Wendell Phillips' "Lost Arts." The barbarians will confound us with the craft of their fingers in textile stuffs, in depth of colors, in metal working, and in many things. Many of us may find that the world is larger than we had supposed, that some new things are very old, and that perhaps we are not so much the centre as we had supposed ourselves. Shall we lack humility in the school which presents it as the first lesson to the willing learner. We have not used the dowry of nature always wisely, as our useless railroads show. We have discounted and squandered, and have spent to-morrow before to-morrow came. Shall we exhibit our selling of offices and our management of savings banks to nations which punish crime without asking many questions? Shall we establish a branch of the Government Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Philadelphia and present fresh specimens of greenbacks to nations which will immediately test them by acid and scales? Shall we propose to the barbarians a new lesson, that paper and gold are one thing and that a promise accompanied by faith



in the promisor is the same as fulfilment? If this is so here, it is so everywhere, and the world must learn the lesson. Shall we undertake to teach it, and shall we begin—if that is the lesson why not so begin—by repealing the Sherman promise of 1879? Shall we boast of our troubles as prosperities, or shall we put them behind us as shame to be covered, and then boast of what we have done in the century; or shall we show what we have, be thankful and yet humbled for what we are, and leave outspoken comparisons to our visitors?

### Latest Monetary and Commercial English News

#### RATES OF EXCHANGE AT LONDON, AND ON LONDON AT LATEST DATES.

EXCHANGE AT LONDON— FEBRUARY 25.			EXCHANGE ON LONDON.		
ON—	TIME.	RATE.	LATEST DATE.	TIME.	RATE.
Amsterdam	short.	12 1/4 @ 12 3/4	Feb. 25.	short.	13.08
Antwerp	3 months.	25.40 @ 25.50	"	3 mos.	25.30
Hamburg	short.	20.63 @ 20.67	"	3 mos.	20.39
Paris	short.	25.15 @ 25.25	"	short.	25.18
Paris	8 months.	25.37 1/2 @ 25.42 1/2	Feb. 25.	3 mos.	114.50
Vienna	short.	11.75 @ 11.77 1/2	"	short.	20.47
Berlin	short.	20.63 @ 20.67	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Frankfurt	short.	20.63 @ 20.67	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
St. Petersburg	short.	30 7-16 @ 30 9-16	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Cadiz	90 days.	47 1/2 @ 48 1/2	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Lisbon	90 days.	51 1/2 @ 51 1/2	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Milan	3 months.	20.70 @ 20.75	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Genoa	3 months.	20.70 @ 20.75	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Naples	3 months.	20.70 @ 20.75	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Madrid	3 months.	47 1/2 @ 47 1/2	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
New York	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Rio de Janeiro	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Bahia	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Buenos Ayres	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Valparaiso	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Pernambuco	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Montevideo	3 months.	114.50 @ 114.50	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Bombay	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Calcutta	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Hong Kong	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Shanghai	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Penang	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Singapore	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4
Alexandria	60 days.	1s. 8 1/2 d. @ 8 3/4 d.	"	3 mos.	31 1/4

[From our own correspondent.]

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 26, 1896

The money market has been in a quiet state during the week, but there has been no material alteration in the rates of discount. The tendency has, however, been downwards, the best bills being taken in the open market at 3 1/4 per cent. The supply of money seeking employment is ample, and there has been no increase in the quantity of bills in circulation. The prospect is that the money market will assume an easier appearance, as notes and coin are still returning from provincial circulation, while our importations of the precious metals promise to be on a somewhat larger scale. We shall be, therefore, in a better position to meet any export inquiry for gold, and, consequently, there will be fewer apprehensions regarding the future course of the money market. The quotations for money are as follows:

Bank rate.	Per cent.	Open-market rates:	Per cent.
Open-market rates:	4	4 months' bank bills.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4
30 and 60 days' bills.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4	6 months' bank bills.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4
3 months' bills.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4	4 and 6 months' trade bills, 4	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4

The rates of interest allowed by the Joint-stock banks and discount houses for deposits remain as follows:

Joint-stock banks.....	Per cent.
Discount houses at call.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4
Discount houses with 7 days' notice.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4
Discount houses with 14 days' notice.....	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4

Annexed is a statement showing the present position of the Bank of England, the Bank rate of discount, the price of Consols, the average quotation for English wheat, the price of Middling Upland cotton, of No. 40's Mule twist fair second quality, and the Bankers' Clearing House return, compared with the previous four years:

	1872.	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.
Consols, including bank post bills.....	£ 94,738,380	£ 94,871,432	£ 25,303,721	£ 25,680,568	£ 26,577,490
Public deposits.....	11,377,844	14,044,110	8,680,844	6,575,082	8,940,446
Other deposits.....	15,860,508	17,977,144	17,681,844	17,559,390	12,048,384
Government securities.....	13,995,441	13,582,318	13,896,607	13,603,784	13,385,914
Other securities.....	21,191,417	21,963,601	17,683,576	18,185,042	19,461,497
Reserve of notes and coin.....	14,270,066	15,691,997	13,150,146	10,687,823	11,865,745
Coin and bullion in both departments.....	23,631,316	25,234,687	22,967,936	22,064,688	23,092,583
Bank rate.....	3 p. c.	3 1/2 p. c.	3 1/2 p. c.	3 1/2 p. c.	4 p. c.
Consols.....	92 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	94 1/2
English wheat.....	55s. 9d.	56s. 0d.	53s. 10d.	41s. 6d.	42s. 3d.
Middling Upland cotton.....	11 1/2-16d.	9 1/2d.	8d.	7 1/2d.	6 1/2-16d.
No. 40 mule yarn fair 2d quality.....	1s. 3 1/2d.	1s. 3d.	1s. 1d.	1s. 0d.	11 1/2d.
Clearing House return.....	£ 84,041,000	£ 100,308,000	£ 100,365,000	£ 97,080,000	£ 97,685,000

The proportion of reserve to liabilities at the Bank has increased to 43 1/2 per cent. The Treasury balance has been increased to £8,940,446, which is about £2,250,000 more than at this period last year. The supply of bullion exhibits an increase of £1,000,000, and the reserve of notes and coin, of £1,178,000 compared with 1875.

The following are the rates of discount at leading cities abroad:

Bank Open rate. market.	Bank Open rate. market.
per cent. per cent.	per cent. per cent.
Paris.....	4 3/4
Amsterdam.....	3 3/4
Hamburg.....	3 3/4
Berlin.....	4 3/4
Frankfurt.....	4 3/4
Vienna and Trieste.....	4 1/2
Madrid, Cadiz and Barcelona.....	6 @ 8
Lisbon and Oporto.....	4 3/4
St. Petersburg.....	5 1/2
Brussels.....	3 3/4
Turin, Florence and Rome.....	5 4 1/2
Leipzig.....	4 3/4
Genoa.....	5 4 1/2
Geneva.....	3 3/4
New York.....	3 @ 5 1/2
Calcutta.....	6 1/2
Copenhagen.....	5 5
Constantinople.....	5 5

The demand for gold for export has been only moderate, and the silver market is very depressed.

Annexed are the quotations:

GOLD.		s.	d.	s.	d.
Bar Gold.....	per oz. standard.	77	9	@	...
Bar Gold, fine.....	per oz. standard.	77	9	@	...
Bar Gold, refinable.....	per oz. standard.	77	11	@	...
Spanish Doubloons.....	per oz.	74	6	@	...
South American Doubloons.....	per oz.	73	9	@	...
United States Gold Coin.....	per oz.	73	9	@	...
SILVER.		d.	d.		
Bar Silver, Fine.....	per oz. standard.	@	...		
Bar Silver, containing 5 grs. Gold.....	per oz. standard.	@	...		
Mexican Dollars.....	per oz.	53 1/2	@		
Spanish Dollars (Caroines).....	per oz. none here.	@	...		
Five Franc Pieces.....	per oz.	@	...		
Quicksilver, £10 per bottle.	Discount, 3 per cent.				

In the Stock Exchange a dull tone has prevailed and prices are, in most instances, lower. Speculators have evinced considerable disposition to sell, and most of the securities, the value of which has lately been forced up by speculative operations, have experienced a considerable decline in value.

It appears that the process of importing meat from the United States and Canada into this country has been attended with a considerable measure of success. It is well known that since the wages of the laboring classes have improved so much, there has been a large increase in the consumption of meat, and consequently the price has been considerably enhanced. On Christmas Eve last, a supply of 40 tons arrived in London, and was disposed of in the Metropolitan Market in perfectly sound condition. Since then a consignment has been made about once a fortnight, and the total delivery now amounts to about 380 tons. During the last twenty-five years, meat has, in this country, about doubled in price, and the consuming portion of the community are gratified that the means which are being adopted to increase the supply and diminish the price have been attended with success. During the winter the process does not appear to be a very difficult one; and some anxiety is therefore felt as to how far the process will be successful during the hot weather. It is contended, however, that as prime joints of meat are obtainable in Ottawa at 4d. per lb., there is a large margin of profit for transportation and the expenses of refrigeration. The *modus operandi* which has led to this success is very simple. The animals are brought alive from inland, and killed when the vessel is ready to receive their quarters. This transportation has at present been confined to the Guion line of steam packets. A chamber is fitted up in the hold of the vessel; around the chamber, tanks for holding ice are placed. All being duly ready, the cattle are killed, and the quarters are sewn tightly in coarse cotton sheets. These packages are then hung in the compartment of the vessel, just close enough together for a current of air to pass freely between them. If they touched, and there were no current of air, they would begin to decompose and turn mouldy in a very short time. An artificial current is produced by a fan which is driven by the steam power of the packet. Thus a cold dry air of about 35 to 38 degrees is preserved throughout the voyage. The meat is not frozen, but it is kept in just the required condition to make the lean firm and the fat hard, whereby decomposition is almost completely arrested. Of the greater portion of these consignments the only defect was a slight sopped redness on such prominent parts as the neck-ends and the sides of a few quarters. This discoloration we therefore attribute to the parts mentioned swinging against the sides of the compartment, and thereby getting wetted with the condensed vapor on the side of the tanks. Otherwise, it would have been difficult to tell this American beef from home-grown and home-dressed animals. If there was anything unusually striking about the best of the quarters, it was the extraordinary manner in which they were filled with suet and the lean was dappled with fat. Most of the carcasses have

realized 5s. 4d. per stone of 8 lb., at which price one set of quarters, weighing 147 stones, and sold by Messrs. Bowyer & Son, made £39 and some odd shillings. This is practical evidence both of their size and quality.

#### English Market Reports—Per Cable.

The daily closing quotations in the markets of London and Liverpool for the past week have been reported by cable, as shown in the following summary:

**London Money and Stock Market.**—The bullion in the Bank has increased £395,000 during the week.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
Consols for money.....	94 1-16	94 1-16	94 3-16	94 5-16	94 5-16	94 5-16
"account.....	94 5-16	94 5-16	94 7-16	94 7-16	94 7-16	94 7-16
U. S. 6s (5-30s).....	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
U. S. 10-40s.....	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
New 5s.....	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2

**Trasquotations for United States new fives at Frankfurt were:**  
U. S. new fives..... 101 1/2      101 1/2      101 1/2      101 1/2

**Liverpool Cotton Market.**—See special report of cotton.

#### Liverpool Breadstuffs Market.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
Flour (Western).....	22 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	22 0	22 0
Wheat (Red W'n. spr.) cwt	7 10	7 10	7 10	7 10	7 10	7 10
" (Red Winter).....	9 8	9 8	9 8	9 8	9 8	9 8
" (Cal. White club).....	10 2	10 2	10 2	10 2	10 2	10 2
Corn (n. W. mix.) q quarter	26 3	26 3	26 3	26 3	26 3	26 3
Peas (Canadian) q quarter	38 6	38 6	38 6	38 6	38 6	38 6

#### Liverpool Provisions Market.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
Beef (mess) new q tce.....	91 0	91 0	91 0	91 0	91 0	91 0
Pork (mess) new q bbl.....	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0	81 0
Bacon (l. c. mid.) new q cwt	53 0	53 0	53 0	53 0	53 0	53 0
Lard (American).....	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0
Cheese (Amer'n fine).....	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0	61 0

#### Liverpool Produce Market.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
Roan (common).....	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9	4 9
" (pale).....	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0
Petroleum (refined).....	11	11	11	11	11	11
" (spirits).....	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Fallow (American).....	42 6	42 6	42 6	42 6	42 6	42 6
Gloverseed (Am. red).....	60 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	60 0	60 0
Spirits turpentine.....	24 6	24 6	24 6	24 6	24 6	24 6

#### London Produce and Oil Markets.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.
Lins'd c'ke (obl.) q tr. 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10	10 10
Linseed (Calcutta).....	47 0	47 0	47 0	47 0	47 0	47 0
Sugar (No. 12 D'ch std)	21 6	21 6	21 6	21 6	21 6	21 6
" on spot, q cwt.....	95 0	95 0	95 0	95 0	95 0	95 0
Sperm oil.....	34 0	34 0	34 0	34 0	34 0	34 0
Whale oil.....	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6
Linseed oil.....	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6	23 6

## Commercial and Miscellaneous News.

**IMPORTS AND EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.**—The imports this week show an increase in dry goods and a decrease in general merchandise. The total imports amount to \$5,408,448 this week, against \$6,699,234 last week, and \$5,078,878 the previous week. The exports amount to \$3,835,594 this week, against \$5,226,840 last week and \$4,498,987 the previous week. The exports of cotton the past week were 5,301 bales, against 4,048 bales last week. The following are the imports at New York for week ending (for dry goods) Mch. 9, and for the week ending (for general merchandise) March 10:

#### FOREIGN IMPORTS AT NEW YORK FOR THE WEEK.

	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.
Dry goods.....	\$2,278,948	\$2,545,213	\$3,177,153	\$2,794,051
General merchandise.....	3,694,645	7,365,883	4,066,402	2,616,797
Total for the week.....	\$5,973,593	\$9,909,096	\$7,243,555	\$5,408,848
Previously reported.....	82,475,621	70,686,452	66,819,905	60,461,587

Since Jan. 1..... \$58,450,214      \$80,595,548      \$74,043,780      \$85,873,385

In our report of the dry goods trade will be found the imports of dry goods for one week later.

The following is a statement of the exports (exclusive of specie) from the port of New York to foreign ports, for the week ending March 14:

#### EXPORTS FROM NEW YORK FOR THE WEEK.

	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.
For the week.....	\$4,066,357	\$4,351,438	\$5,197,006	\$3,835,594
Previously reported.....	49,656,250	52,260,510	44,603,336	47,375,789
Since Jan. 1.....	\$53,768,562	\$57,501,948	\$49,730,342	\$51,311,353

The following will show the exports of specie from the port of New York for the week ending March 11, 1876, and since the beginning of the year, with a comparison for the corresponding date in previous years:

	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.
Mch. 7—Str. Columbus.....	Havana.....	American gold.....	\$270,000	
Mch. 8—Str. China.....	Liverpool.....	Spanish gold.....	8,810	
Mch. 9—Str. City of New York.....	Havana.....	American gold.....	100,000	
Mch. 9—Str. Gellert.....	Hamburg.....	American gold.....	425,000	
	Paris.....	Silver bars.....	30,326	
	London.....	Gold bars.....	3,879	
		Foreign silver coin.....	10,900	
Mch. 11—Str. City of Brooklyn.....	Liverpool.....	Silver bars.....	150,000	
Mch. 11—Str. Germanic.....	Liverpool.....	Mexican silver.....	6,700	
			171,558	
Total for the week.....			\$1,183,313	

Previously reported..... \$7,783,381

Total since January 1, 1876..... \$8,956,484

Same time in—		Same time in—	
1875.....	\$14,820,073	1870.....	\$6,357,371
1874.....	6,419,935	1869.....	7,358,552
1873.....	12,893,830	1868.....	18,892,222
1872.....	3,937,759	1867.....	5,991,861
1871.....	11,857,437	1866.....	5,194,507

The imports of specie at this port during the past week have been as follows:

Mch. 6—Str. Carondelet.....	Laguayra.....	Silver coin.....	\$354
Mch. 6—Str. Roanoke.....	Porto Cabello.....	Gold coin.....	21,906
Mch. 6—Str. Etna.....	Port au Prince.....	Gold coin.....	29,469
		Silver coin.....	1,217
Mch. 6—Str. Tybee.....	St. Domingo.....	Silver coin.....	3,000
		Gold coin.....	80
Mch. 7—Bark Magdalena.....	Ciudad Bolivar.....	Gold coin.....	635
		Gold bars.....	15,340
Mch. 9—Str. Atlas.....	Aspinwall.....	Gold coin.....	1,980
Mch. 9—Str. City of Havana.....	Vera Cruz.....	Silver coin.....	160,323
		Gold coin.....	6,035
		Silver block.....	64,000

Total for the week..... \$304,483  
Previously reported..... 587,401

Total since Jan. 1, 1876..... \$891,834

Same time in—		Same time in—	
1875.....	\$3,633,333	1870.....	\$3,940,005
1874.....	1,023,428	1869.....	2,411,767
1873.....	606,695	1868.....	1,196,015
1872.....	292,384	1867.....	398,154
1871.....	2,721,606		

**NATIONAL TREASURY.**—The following forms present a summary of certain weekly transactions at the National Treasury.

1.—Securities held by the U. S. Treasurer in trust for National Banks and balance in the Treasury

Week ending	For Circulation.	For U. S. Deposits.	Total.	Bal. in Treasury.	Coin currency.	Certificates outst'd.
1876.						
Jan. 8.....	363,002,962	18,626,500	381,629,462	70,897,517	8,410,098	34,094,980
Jan. 15.....	362,640,032	18,626,500	381,266,532	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Jan. 22.....	361,108,062	18,626,500	380,734,562	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Jan. 29.....	361,723,962	18,626,500	380,350,462	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Feb. 5.....	361,083,462	18,626,500	379,709,962	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Feb. 12.....	360,050,162	18,626,500	378,676,662	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Feb. 19.....	358,438,650	18,626,500	377,065,150	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
Feb. 26.....	356,998,650	18,626,500	375,625,150	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
March 4.....	356,395,750	18,721,500	375,117,250	73,200,709	8,724,867	34,429,008
March 11.....	355,311,715	18,741,500	374,053,215	69,657,308	6,147,783	34,797,600

2.—National bank currency in circulation; fractional currency received from the Currency Bureau by U. S. Treasurer, and distributed weekly; also the amount of legal tenders distributed:

Week ending	Notes in Circulation.	Fractional Currency.	Legal Tender.
1876.			
Jan. 8.....	343,893,094		
Jan. 15.....	344,309,341		
Jan. 22.....	343,253,577		
Jan. 29.....	343,322,344		1,439,410
Feb. 5.....	342,809,036	1,361,300	1,471,365
Feb. 12.....	342,684,501		
Feb. 19.....	341,557,911	217,300	1,575,842
Feb. 26.....	340,928,073		
March 4.....	345,415,456		
March 11.....	340,046,776		

**Pensacola & Louisville.**—This road was sold under execution in Pensacola, Fla., March 6, and was bought by J. W. Black, of New Orleans. The road is 44 miles long, from Pensacola northward to a junction with the Mobile & Montgomery near Pollard, Ala. The suit in which the sale was ordered arose out of a purchase of lands and bonds of the old Alabama & Florida company from the Forsyth estate.

**Pittsfield & North Adams.**—At the adjourned meeting the stockholders authorized the directors to sell the road to the Boston & Albany for a sum equal to 95 per cent of the capital stock, provided that sum is paid July 1, 1876, together with the 3 per cent rental dividend then due, and provided also that the Boston & Albany give up all claims for charges and offsets against the company. If it is found necessary to procure legislation to authorize the sale, the board is given power to extend the lease one year from July 1st on the same terms as the present lease. The road is 18.65 miles long and the capital stock \$450,000, so that on these terms it will cost the Boston & Albany \$427,500, or \$22,923 per mile.—*Railroad Gazette.*

**LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE CO.**—The fortieth annual meeting of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company was held in Liverpool, on the 23d of Feb., when a report was presented congratulating the stockholders on the satisfactory state of the company's affairs. The report states that the net fire premium income of the past year amounted to \$5,723,124, the losses to \$2,869,542, and after paying all charges and expenses, the account shows a surplus from the fire business alone of \$1,196,784, and that they had carried from the surplus of the year \$825,000 to the general reserve and fire re-insurance fund, which now amounts to \$4,675,000. After other details of the company's business, the report concludes by proposing to pay a dividend for the year of 30 per cent. The profit on the whole business of the company amounted to \$1,817,678, and the invested funds now amount to \$28,425,160; thus showing that the present financial position of the company is better, by a very considerable amount, than during the best period of its existence before the great American disasters (Chicago and Boston fires of 1871-1872.) The business of the United States branch contributed to the above results as follows: Fire premiums, \$2,328,140. Losses, \$841,870; expenses, \$744,587; total, 1,586,457; net surplus, \$741,683. Mr. James E. Pulsford is the resident secretary in the United States, with offices at 45 William street.

—Stockholders of the Pacific R. R. of Missouri, will find a notice of interest to them in our advertising columns.



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No national banks organized during the past week.

## DIVIDENDS.

The following Dividends have recently been announced:

COMPANY.	PER CENT.	WHERE PAID.	BOOKS CLOSED.
			(Days inclusive.)
<b>Railroads.</b>			
Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul pref.....	14 bds	April 10	Mch. 24 to Apr. 9
Chicago Rock Island & Pacific.....	4	April 27	April 1 to —
Union Pacific (quarterly).....	2	April 1	Mch. 21 to Apr. 4
<b>Insurance.</b>			
Jefferson.....	5	On dem	.....

## FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 1876—6 P. M.

**The Money Market and Financial Situation.**—The principal event of unusual importance this week was the suspension of the Bank of the State of New York, which closed its doors on Tuesday morning. As a number of brokers and other business men in the vicinity of Wall and William streets kept their accounts at this bank, the announcement of its failure at first created much excitement and caused a small panic in the stock market, followed by a recovery in the latter part of the day. The directory of the bank has since been reorganized, with an entirely new board, composed of exceptionally strong names, and with Mr. August Belmont as president, and it is intimated that it may continue in business. In regard to the general effects of the suspension two points are chiefly apparent.—First, that this is an isolated case, fortunately disconnected with the transactions of any other bank, and therefore indicates no general weakness; Secondly, that the failure occurred, so far as yet known, through the mismanagement of the Vice-President of the bank, and apparently with little knowledge on the part of the Board of Directors. This latter fact is calculated to shake confidence among bank customers and will naturally lead them to inquire more carefully into the business character and the operations of their bank officers.

The failure of Mr. Daniel Drew who has for a long time been in embarrassed circumstances, is entitled to be mentioned among the week's events. Mr. Drew has been among the most prominent speculators known in the history of Wall street, and has finally succumbed to the games with which he had been accustomed to "twist" his cotemporaries.

In our local money market there has really been little change to regular borrowers of good standing, although in the flurry on Tuesday a large bank injudiciously called in a good many of its loans, and this, with the temporary loss of confidence, caused loans on the street to be put up for the moment to sharp 7 per cent., with a commission added. To-day, also, there was an attempt to shake confidence and to quote loans at 1-32 commission, but this was hardly successful, and the real price of call loans is from 3 per cent. on government collaterals to 4@5 on stocks. Prime commercial paper is in demand at 5@6 per cent.

On Thursday the Bank of England showed a gain of £395,000 in bullion for the week, and the discount rate remained unchanged at 4 per cent. The Bank of France gained 14,932,000 francs in specie.

The weekly statement of the New York City Clearing-House Banks, issued March 11, showed an increase of \$953,400 in the excess above their 25 per cent legal reserve, the whole of such excess being \$13,993,600, against \$13,040,200, the previous week.

The following table shows the changes from the previous week and a comparison with 1875 and 1874:

	1875.	1875.	1875.	1874.
	Mch. 4.	Mch. 11.	Differences.	Mch. 18.
Loans and dis.	\$70,102,800	\$70,748,400 Inc.	\$645,600	\$68,416,000
Specie.....	22,701,600	23,139,300 Inc.	438,700	27,014,300
Circulation.....	16,832,500	16,697,700 Dec.	134,800	25,720,900
Net deposits.....	236,426,400	237,102,800 Inc.	676,400	233,501,300
Legal tenders.....	46,945,200	47,623,500 Inc.	678,300	61,652,300

**United States Bonds.**—There has been a fair business in governments this week without any feature of special importance. The London market appears to have been pretty well drained of bonds, and we hardly look for any further considerable movement in this direction unless there should be another rise here, or some unfavorable influence to depress prices in that market. The prices given below show very little change from last week.

Closing prices of securities in London have been as follows:

	Mch. 3.	Mch. 10.	Mch. 17.	Range since Jan. 1, '76.	
				Lowest.	Highest.
U. S. 6s, 5-20's, 1865, old ..	125	105	105 1/2	104 1/2 Jan. 3	106 1/2 Feb. 11
U. S. 6s, 5-20's, 1867 ..	107 1/2	107 1/2	108	107 1/2 Jan. 3	109 1/2 Feb. 11
U. S. 5s, 10-40's ..	106 1/2	106	106	105 1/2 Feb. 22	108 1/2 Feb. 10
Wells ..	106 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2 Jan. 13	106 1/2 Feb. 16

Closing prices daily have been as follows:

	Int. period.	Mch. 11.	Mch. 13.	Mch. 14.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 16.	Mar. 17.
6s, 1881.....reg.	Jan. & July	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2
6s, 1881.....coup.	Jan. & July	123	123	123	123	123	123 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1865.....reg.	May & Nov.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1865.....coup.	May & Nov.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1865, n. l., reg.	Jan. & July	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1865, n. l., coup.	Jan. & July	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1867.....reg.	Jan. & July	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1867.....coup.	Jan. & July	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1868.....reg.	Jan. & July	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
6s, 5-20's, 1868.....coup.	Jan. & July	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
5s, 10-40's.....reg.	Mar. & Sept.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
5s, 10-40's.....coup.	Mar. & Sept.	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
5s, funded, 1881.....reg.	Quarterly	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
5s, funded, 1881.....coup.	Quarterly	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
6s Currency.....reg.	Jan. & July	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	127	126 1/2	127

\* This is the price bid, no sale was made at the Board.

The range in prices since Jan. 1, 1876, and the amount of each class of bonds outstanding March 1, 1876, were as follows:

	Since Jan. 1.	Lowest.	Highest.	Registered.	Coupon.
6s, 1881.....reg.	119 1/2 Jan. 3	119 1/2 Jan. 3	123 1/2 Feb. 23	\$198,511,850	\$9,500,000
6s, 1881.....coup.	120 1/2 Jan. 10	120 1/2 Jan. 10	123 1/2 Feb. 23	89,500,000	8,500,000
6s, 5-20's, 1865.....reg.	116 1/2 Jan. 3	116 1/2 Jan. 3	118 1/2 Mch. 13	33,579,750	116,688,000
6s, 5-20's, 1865, new, coup.	117 Jan. 4	120 1/2 Jan. 4	123 1/2 Feb. 16	59,686,100	142,977,000
6s, 5-20's, 1867.....reg.	119 1/2 Jan. 3	119 1/2 Jan. 3	123 1/2 Feb. 16	90,304,950	230,417,800
6s, 5-20's, 1867.....coup.	119 1/2 Jan. 3	119 1/2 Jan. 3	123 1/2 Feb. 16	14,690,000	22,788,800
5s, 10-40's.....reg.	116 1/2 Feb. 8	119 1/2 Jan. 29	121 1/2 Feb. 23	141,706,550	.....
5s, 10-40's.....coup.	118 Jan. 4	121 1/2 Feb. 23	123 1/2 Feb. 23	53,559,750	.....
5s, funded, 1881.....reg.	118 Jan. 11	119 Feb. 21	121 1/2 Feb. 21	291,395,800	251,662,650
6s Currency.....reg.	122 1/2 Jan. 5	123 Feb. 23	124,622,513	.....	.....

**State and Railroad Bonds.**—There have been quite a number of sales of Missouri State sixes at 103 1/2 @ 104 for the long bonds. Tennessee sixes, new, sold to-day at 41 1/2. Virginia bonds are dull without much change in prices, pending the discussion of the subject of an increase in taxation. Louisiana consols are firm, and as to the funding of Levee 8s and N. Louisiana and Texas bonds, the Funding Board has submitted the questions again to the courts, and will do nothing for the present.

Railroad bonds have been well maintained on a fair business. To-day there was some activity in the St. Paul bonds, owing to the declaration of the dividend of 14 per cent., payable in the consol. mortg. 7s—these declining to 88. Chic. & Northwest coupon gold bonds sold to-day at 94. Toledo & Wabash St. Louis Div. bond sold back to 70 1/2. There has been a large advance in railroad bonds since the first of the year, which bids fair to be sustained if railroad earnings keep up, and if there is a reasonably conservative management in the several companies.

The following were sold at auction by Messrs. A. H. Muller & Son:

SHARES.	SHARES.
10 La. & Mo. R. RR., pref., fr. \$20 50	223 Metropolitan Gas.....141@143 1/2
4 La. & Mo. R. RR., com., fr. \$4 50	50 Metropolitan Gas.....143 1/2 @ 144 1/2
83 Q. R. Bridge Co., guar. 10 p.	BONDS.
10 National Park Bank.....110	\$5,000 Del. & Hud. C. 7s, reg. '94, 100 1/2
36 Howard Insurance Co.....133	4,000 Chic. B. & Q. R. R. 1st m. fr. 104
24 North National Bank.....79 1/2	4,000 Buffalo Water W. 1st m. fr. 104
53 Continental Insurance Co.....127 1/2	5,000 K. City & Cam' N. RR. 10s.....93
30 Ridgewood Insurance Co.....113	7,000 Bur. & Mo. Riv. 7s, land m. 111 1/2
25 German American Bank.....78	2,000 Bur. & Mo. R. R. 2s, conv. 111 1/2
50 American Insurance Co.....155	3,000 Evans. & Crawford 7s, extd. 104 1/2
295 Cedar R. & Mo. R. R. 2s.....85 1/2 @ 86	5,000 Mem. & Char. R. 2 1/2 m. 7s, 52 1/2
150 Rensselaer & Saratoga R. R. 117 1/2	10,000 Mobil. & Ohio R. R. 6s, with Nov. 1875, comp. 39
20 Resolute Fire Insurance.....85 1/2	5,500 Ches. & Ohio R. R. 1st mort. 6s, with Nov. 1875, comp. 35 1/2
60 Atlantic Ins. of Brooklyn.....110 1/2	1,400 Pacific Mutual Ins. scrip of 1888.....92 1/2
15 Republic Fire Insurance.....92 1/2	5,780 Pacific Mutual Ins. scrip of 1890.....85
15 Safeguard Fire Insurance.....130	4,000 Pacific Mutual Ins. scrip of 1870.....75
5 American Exchange Fire Ins. 112 1/2	9,000 Metropolitan Gas scrip stock.....101 1/2
20 Lenox Fire Insurance.....104	1,000 Metropolitan Gas scrip stock.....103
10 N. Y. & V. Yorkers F. e. ins.....90	
40 Pacific Fire Insurance.....148 1/2	
20 Manhattan Gas Light.....268	
38 Peter Cooper Fire Ins.....307 1/2	
70 Relief Fire Insurance.....98	
110 Har. & N. Y. Nav. Co., \$10 each 76	
10 Resolute Fire Insurance.....85 1/2	

Closing prices of leading State and Railroad Bonds, and the range since Jan. 1, have been as follows:

STATES.	Mar. 3.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 17.	Range since Jan. 1, '76.	
				Lowest. <th>Highest.</th>	Highest.
Tennessee 6s, old.....	42 1/2	43	43	42 1/2 Jan. 6	48 Jan. 31
do 6s, new.....	40 1/2	41	41	40 1/2 Jan. 4	46 1/2 Jan. 31
North Carolina 6s, old.....	17 1/2	18	17 1/2	15 Jan. 15	18 Mch. 10
Virginia 6s, consolidated.....	75 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2 Jan. 29	76 1/2 Jan. 29
do do 2d series.....	37 1/2	37 1/2	33	44 Feb. 1	46 1/2 Feb. 26
Missouri 6s, long bonds.....	103 1/2	103	103 1/2	100 Jan. 3	104 1/2 Mch. 6
District of Columbia 3.65s.....	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	66 1/2 Jan. 21	73 Mch. 14
RAILROADS.					
Central of N. J. 1st cons.....	112 1/2	111 1/2	112	108 1/2 Jan. 13	113 1/2 Mch. 3
Central Pacific 1st, 6s, gold.....	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	104 Jan. 11	110 Feb. 18
Chic. Burl. & Quincy cons. 7s.....	109 1/2	110	107 1/2	107 1/2 Jan. 4	110 1/2 Mch. 10
Chic. & Northwest, cp. gold.....	92 1/2	93	94	85 1/2 Jan. 3	94 Mch. 13
Chic. M. & St. P. cons. & f. 7s.....	89	89	88	79 1/2 Jan. 3	90 1/2 Mch. 11
Chic. R. I. & Pac. 1st, 7s.....	109	109 1/2	109 1/2	107 1/2 Jan. 3	110 Jan. 7
Erie 1st, 7s, extended.....	109 1/2	110	108	107 1/2 Jan. 28	109 1/2 Mch. 2
Lake Sh. & Mich. So. 2d c. cp.....	110	99	99	.....	.....
Michigan Central, cons. 7s.....	103 1/2	103 1/2	106 1/2	101 Jan. 7	105 1/2 Mch. 10
Morris & Essex, 1st mortgage.....	116 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	114 Jan. 4	118 Mch. 10
N. Y. Cen. & Hud. 1st cp.....	123 1/2	123 1/2	120	120 Jan. 13	123 1/2 Mch. 4
Ohio & Miss. cons. sink. rd.....	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	92 Jan. 8	99 1/2 Feb. 1
Pitts. Ft. Wayne & Chic. 1st.....	116 1/2	116	116 1/2	114 Jan. 11	118 Mch. 6
St. Louis & Iron Mt. 1st mort.....	100	101 1/2	101 1/2	95 Jan. 4	101 1/2 Mch. 11
Union Pacific 1st 6s gold.....	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	102 1/2 Jan. 4	106 Mch. 3
do sinking fund.....	92	92 1/2	91 1/2	90 Mch. 2	97 1/2 Feb. 21

\* This is the price bid; no sale was made at the Board.

**Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.**—The market this week has been somewhat variable and not characterized by a decided movement in one direction or the other. On Tuesday, there was a rush to sell stocks on the announcement of the bank failure, and prices declined sharply, with a recovery towards the close of the day. There was a further improvement on Wednesday, and since then prices have fluctuated with considerable irregularity. Pacific Mail, after selling down to 18 1/2 on Monday, recovered yesterday to 24 and closes to-day at 21 1/2. In this stock and Western Union Telegraph, since the recent decline which has taken place, there is more liability of a fluctuation of 1@2 per cent at any time, by the contest between long and short interests. The question of a dividend on St. Paul preferred has been settled by the declaration of 14 per cent for 1874 and 1875, payable in the consolidated bonds of the company. It was rumored that an injunction would be applied for to prevent the payment of the dividend, on the ground that sinking fund provisions on one of the old mortgages had not been complied with. The President claimed that no such injunction could stand. To-day there was an attempt to advance the price of money and depress stocks by rumors arising from the sale of 2,200 shares of Bank of Commerce stock at the Board. Of this the Post says:

"The sale of 1,000 shares of Bank of Commerce stock at the first board and 1,250 shares this afternoon were used in the Stock Exchange for the purpose of creating alarming rumors. We are able now to say that this stock was sold by a leading foreign banker, who had a small amount of the stock of the Bank of the

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State, and who has gone into the new board of that bank for the purpose of reorganizing it. The stock was bought by a capitalist who is thoroughly acquainted with the Bank of Commerce affairs, and who is anxious to obtain 2,000 shares more at 115, the lowest price paid for the stock he bought to-day. The Bank of Commerce is the largest bank in the National system, and one of the soundest and most conservatively managed.

Total sales of the week in leading stocks were as follows:

	Pacific	Lake	West'n	Chic. &	Ohio &	St. Paul
Mch. 11	62,400	56,400	56,000	6,100	91,800	6,400
" 13	35,800	27,000	27,900	4,000	98,700	4,300
" 14	40,400	99,300	99,400	7,500	90,500	10,400
" 15	37,800	53,400	53,900	4,800	45,400	5,300
" 16	31,400	36,900	36,100	2,400	38,200	7,000
" 17	14,400	28,400	31,600	7,900	25,600	1,900

Total.....182,300 296,300 271,900 32,000 885,900 30,300 83,400 44,800  
Wholesale.....200,000 494,665 377,871 149,930 780,000 200,000 153,992 132,741

The total number of shares of stock outstanding is given in the last line, for the purpose of comparison.

The daily highest and lowest prices have been as follows:

	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
At. & Pac. pref.	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
Central N.J.	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
C. & M. St. P.	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
Chic. & North.	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
do pref.	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
C. & N. W. St. P.	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
Col. & Ind. C. & N.	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4
Del., L. & West	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Erie	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Gen. & St. J. & S.	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
do do pf.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Harlem	142 1/2	142 1/2	142 1/2	142 1/2	142 1/2	142 1/2
Illinois Central	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2
Lake Shore	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4
Michigan Cent.	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4
N. & W. St. P.	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2	115 1/2
Ohio & Miss.	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Pacific Mail	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Pacific of Mo.	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
Panama	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2	138 1/2
Quicksilver	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
do pref.	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
St. L. & M. & S.	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
St. L. & C. & N.	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
T. & W. & W.	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
Union Pacific	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4
West. & N. Tel.	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
Adams Exp.	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
American Ex.	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
United States	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Wells, Fargo	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2

\*This is the price bid and asked; no sale was made at the Board.

The latest railroad earnings and the totals from January 1 to latest dates, are given below. The statement includes the gross earnings of all railroads from which returns can be obtained. The columns under the heading "Jan. 1 to latest date" furnish the gross earnings from January 1 to and including the period mentioned in the second column.

Roads.	Latest earnings reported.	Jan. 1 to latest date.
Atch. Top. & S. Fe. Month of Jan.	\$117,417	\$68,659
Atlantic & Pacific. 3d week of Jan.	24,923	21,412
Cairo & St. Louis. Month of Feb.	18,873	13,332
Canada Southern. 1st week of Mch.	41,359	14,427
Central Pacific. Month of Feb.	1,000,000	9,615,159
Chic. & Alton. 1st week of Mch.	87,037	74,489
Chic. Mil. & St. P. 1st week of Mch.	135,000	100,700
Chic. & North. 1st week of Feb.	36,822	27,405
Denver & Rio G. Month of Feb.	39,638	23,660
Hannibal & St. Jo. Month of Feb.	157,184	116,256
Hous. & Texas C. 1st 2 weeks Feb.	134,799	103,304
Illinois Central. Month of Feb.	608,126	431,681
Indianap. Bl. & W. 1st week of Mch.	33,415	26,292
Int. & Great North. 1st week of Mch.	23,296	23,121
Kansas Pacific. Month of Feb.	306,509	202,525
Louisv. Pad. & S. W. Month of Jan.	37,946	30,587
Marietta & Cin. Month of Jan.	167,856	158,935
Michigan Central. 1st week of Mch.	120,865	94,203
Mo. Kansas & Tex. 1st week of Mch.	66,189	59,613
Mobile & Ohio. Month of Jan.	239,284	196,739
Ohio & Mississippi. 1st week of Mch.	89,830	74,376
Pacific of Missouri. 3d week of Jan.	71,730	58,598
Paducah & Memp. Month of Jan.	21,502	15,342
Phila. & Erie. Month of Jan.	281,193	195,606
Rome, Water, & Og. Month of Feb.	75,987	58,852
St. L. & T. H. 1st week of Mch.	78,738	6,687
St. L. & S. & N. 1st week of Mch.	88,200	72,987
St. L. & C. & N. 1st week of Mch.	72,713	51,540
St. L. & Southeast. 3d week of Feb.	25,814	25,585
St. Paul & S. City. Month of Jan.	69,187	38,980
Tol. Peoria & Warsaw Month of Feb.	112,340	61,819
Union Pacific. Month of Feb.	628,000	620,907

**The Gold Market.**—Gold has been steady throughout. In the absence of any further large shipments, there has been nothing to disturb the price materially, and fluctuations have been limited to a small range. To-day, exchange was marked up to rates which warrant the export of coin, and some moderate engagements were reported to have been made for to-morrow's steamers. On gold loans to-day the rates paid for carrying were 3 1/4, 4, 3, 2 and 1 per cent. Loans were also made flat. Customs receipts for the week were \$2,350,000.

The following table will show the course of gold and operations of the Gold Exchange Bank each day of the past week:

	Open.	Low.	High.	Clos.	Total	Gold.	Currency.
Saturday, Mch. 11	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	\$19,935,000	\$1,345,388	\$1,689,612
Monday	113 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	20,090,000	1,153,000	1,837,000
Tuesday	114 1/4	114 1/4	115 1/4	114 1/4	25,709,000	1,085,100	1,348,134
Wednesday	113 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	51,986,000	1,757,974	1,208,751
Thursday	116 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	20,070,000	1,084,986	1,394,771
Friday	117 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	18,697,000	849,438	977,878

Current week.....114 1/4 114 1/4 115 1/4 \$158,417,000  
Previous week.....114 1/4 114 1/4 114 1/4 164,351,000  
Jan. 1 to date.....113 1/4 113 1/4 113 1/4 708,900

**Foreign Exchange.**—Rates have been well maintained this week on quite a moderate demand. There appears to have been a smaller supply of commercial bills than had been expected, and although the mercantile demand was quite light, bankers have

kept up their rates very firmly, and advanced this morning to \$4 87 for 60 days sterling and \$4 90 for demand, the rates on actual business being about 1/2 point lower. As to domestic exchange, the following were the rates on New York to-day: At Savannah, 5-16 premium; Charleston, nominally unchanged, 1/4 @ premium; Cincinnati, quiet and steady, par to 50 cent. premium; New Orleans, commercial par, bank 1/2 premium; Chicago, 25c. premium, and St. Louis, 50c. discount. Quotations of foreign exchange are as follows:

	60 days.	3 days.
Prime bankers' sterling	4.86 1/4 @ 4.87	4.90 @ 4.90 1/2
Good bankers' and prime com'l.	4.86 @ 4.87	4.89 @ 4.90
Good commercial	4.84 1/2 @ 4.85	4.87 1/2 @ 4.88 1/2
Documentary commercial	4.84 @ 4.85	4.87 @ 4.88
Paris (francs)	5.17 1/2 @ 5.18 1/4	5.15 @ 5.15 1/2
Antwerp (francs)	5.17 1/2 @ 5.18 1/4	5.15 @ 5.15 1/2
Swiss (francs)	5.17 1/2 @ 5.18 1/4	5.15 @ 5.15 1/2
Amsterdam (guilders)	40 1/2 @ 40 1/2	40 1/2 @ 40 1/2
Hamburg (reichmarks)	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4
Frankfurt (reichmarks)	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4
Bremen (reichmarks)	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4
Berlin (reichmarks)	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4	94 1/2 @ 95 1/4

The transactions for the week at the Custom House and Sub Treasury have been as follows:

	Custom House	Sub-Treasury
	Receipts.	Payments.
	Gold.	Currency.
Mch 11	\$500,000	\$1,254,933 63
" 13	479,800 00	539,185 43
" 14	464,000	504,413 08
" 15	430,000	476,821 49
" 16	321,000	640,658 38
" 17	249,000	250,821 28
Total	2,850,000	3,607,433 63
Balance, March 10	44,070,566 49	35,713,517 52
Balance, March 17	45,430,531 80	33,737,747 36

**CALIFORNIA MINING STOCKS.**—The following prices, by telegraph from San Francisco, are furnished by Messrs. I. & S. Worners, 64 Broadway:

	March 10.	March 11.
Alpha	41	41
Belcher	33	33
Best & Belcher	59	59
Caledonia	64	64
California	88	88
Chollar Potosi	115	115
Consolidated Virginia	85	85
Crown Point	24	24
Eureka Consol	11	11
Gould & Curry	21	21
Hale & Norcross	63	63
Imperial	15	15
Justice	26	26
Kentuck	17	17
Mexican	33	33
Ophir	63	63
Overman	81	81
Raymond & Ely	18	18
Savage	18	18
Sierra Nevada	23	23
Silver Hill	10	10
Union Consol	15	15
Yellow Jacket	110	110

**TEXAS SECURITIES.**—Messrs. Forster, Ludlow & Co., 7 Wall st., quote:

TEXAS SECURITIES.—Messrs. Foster, Linnow & Co., 7 Wall st., quote.					
Texas State	Texas State	Cities.			
7s, gold....\$106	110	10s, pension\$104	110	Anstn 10s...\$95	110
7s, g., 30 yrs	107	6s of 1892.. \$90	95	Dallas 10s.... 65	75
10s, 1884....\$104	106	Cities.		S. Ant'io 10s. 80	...
10s, 1876.... 99	....	Houston	42	45	
\$ With interest.					

**New York City Banks.**—The following statement shows the condition of the Associated Banks of New York City for the week ending at the commencement of business on Mch. 11, 1876:

	AVERAGE AMOUNT OF					
	Capital.	Loans and Discounts.	Specie.	Legal Tenders.	Net Deposits.	Circulation.
BANKS.						
New York	\$3,000,000	\$9,854,800	\$2,291,500	\$954,200	\$5,879,000	\$7,870,000
Manhattan Co.	2,000,000	6,450,000	841,800	1,700,200	5,030,700	8,200,000
Mechanics' Co.	3,000,000	7,817,100	619,300	1,091,100	5,635,600	839,800
Mechanics'	2,000,000	6,455,200	320,800	1,192,400	4,799,300	261,000
Union	2,000,000	4,687,500	596,100	515,200	2,965,200	.....
American	3,000,000	7,817,100	1,365,900	703,900	5,030,200	839,800
Phoenix.	1,800,000	5,753,200	566,800	493,700	5,116,400	425,000
City	1,000,000	5,558,100	1,627,300	1,971,000	5,219,700	.....
Tradesmen's.	1,000,000	5,558,100	255,500	268,800	1,875,100	770,900
Fulton	1,000,000	5,558,100	432,000	458,400	1,919,600	.....
Chemical	300,000	5,583,200	403,200	547,700	7,591,300	.....
Mechanics' Exch.	1,000,000	5,555,200	372,500	1,918,400	3,213,900	462,800
Gallatin, National.	1,500,000	5,956,800	455,500	384,400	3,127,400	491,800
Mechanics & Druggists	1,000,000	5,556,800	321,000	274,300	2,962,800	.....
Mechanics & Traders	600,000	1,242,900	10,900	275,900	1,156,500	154,800
Greenwich	200,000	768,900	.....	101,200	692,400	2,700
Leather Manuf.	600,000	2,995,200	608,100	576,800	2,755,400	239,000
Seventh Ward.	300,000	964,500	88,900	192,600	832,500	91,000
State of New York	2,000,000	5,960,600	325,000	1,085,500	2,855,200	347,900
American Exch'g.	5,000,000	11,470,000	696,000	2,004,000	7,271,000	405,000
Commerce.	10,000,000	18,948,400	1,419,300	1,321,600	6,445,400	2,274,000
Broadway	1,000,000	4,966,200	157,400	631,900	2,955,700	.....
Mechanics' Exch.	1,000,000	5,558,100	207,900	282,400	3,698,500	929,000
Pacific.	422,700	1,971,100	12,600	300,100	1,762,900	.....
Republic.	2,000,000	5,558,100	965,500	438,400	2,755,400	450,600
Chatham.	1,000,000	5,558,100	307,100	695,500	3,825,400	571,900
People's.	1,000,000	5,558,100	1,342,200	400,000	1,544,100	5,800
North America	1,000,000	2,716,800	88,000	320,000	2,367,900	.....
Hanover	1,000,000	3,654,400	108,900	727,800	2,807,400	283,100
Irving	500,000	2,084,000	285,000	575,000	1,214,000	111,000
Metropolitan	1,000,000	5,558,100	1,841,000	1,000,000	2,717,100	.....
Citizens	600,000	1,789,900	115,800	359,300	1,524,800	151,000
Nassau.	1,000,000	2,457,100	94,000	180,400	2,189,500	30,000
Market.	1,000,000	3,898,900	12,400	812,900	2,598,100	712,000
St. Nicholas.	1,000,000	2,457,100	94,000	180,400	2,189,500	30,000
State and Ind.	1,000,000	4,402,800	94,000	666,700	3,227,300	191,000
Corn Exchange.	1,000,000	2,851,800	106,000	840,000	1,510,100	140,000
Continental.	1,500,000	4,055,500	188,700	720,000	3,375,100	558,000
Oriental.	1,000,000	3,894,100	1,660	174,300	1,405,500	175,000
Marine.	1,000,000	3,894,100	1,660	174,300	1,405,500	175,000
Importers & Traders	1,500,000	16,635,600	520,800	4,891,500	18,570,800	488,000
Peck.	2,000,000	14,185,200	2,077,100	2,780,400	16,635,100	805,000
Mech. Bank's Asso.	300,000	1,050,000	51,400	165,500	761,800	60,000
First National.	1,000,000	4,118,000	115,800	255,500	3,441,000	.....
North River	1,000,000	980,100	15,100	169,000	816,500	.....
East River	350,000	891,000	13,200	161,000	616,600	192,000
Manufacturers & Mer.	300,000	733,000	1,900	144,700	518,600	.....
Fourth National.	5,000,000	17,350,000	935,000	3,419,100	14,000,900	1,267,000
Second National.	1,000,000	7,645,000	54,300	2,000,000	7,645,000	1,267,000
Fifth National.	1,000,000	6,988,000	.....	482,000	1,284,000	188,000
Ninth National.	1,500,000	15,269,200	193,900	2,952,000	5,871,600	589,000
First National.	500,000	1,683,000	1,683,000	1,683,000	1,683,000	.....
Third National.	1,000,000	2,944,700	1,227,800	1,261,300	5,857,800	.....
N.Y. National Exch.	500,000	1,096,000	1,600	235,200	1,086,100	265,000
Tenth National.	1,000,000	1,086,200	17,900	99,200	801,400	449,000
Bowling National.	250,000	1,086,200	85,000	250,000	972,000	211,000
York & Co.	1,000,000	1,086,200	150,000	150,000	1,086,200	.....
German American.	1,000,000	2,963,500	184,000	329,000	2,781,500	.....
First Goods.	1,000,000	2,040,100	8,400	364,000	1,570,700	.....



**BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, Etc.—Continued.**

	8id	<b>Ash</b>
<b>BALTIMORE.</b>		
Maryland & de fence, J. & J.....	11½	
do do, exempt, 1887.....	111	
do do \$6, 1900, quarterly.....	108	
do do \$6, 1904, quarterly.....	108	
Baltimore & O., 1884, quarterly.....	107½	
do do \$6, 1886, J. & J.....	106	
do do \$6, 1890, quarterly.....	107	
do do \$6, Park, 1890, Q-M.....	107½	
do do \$6, ex. emp't, '85, M & S.....	107	
do do \$6, 1892, J. & J.....	106½	
Torfolk Water, \$6.....		
<b>RAILROAD STOCKS. Par.</b>		
Balt. & Ohio-Stock.....	100	163¾
Central Pa.-Do.....	100	8
do Parkersburg Br. St.....	8	8
Northern Central.....	50	89¼
Western Maryland.....	50	89
Penn'a. Co.—Do.....	41	9
Pittsburg & Connelevisville.....	50	88
<b>RAILROAD BOND.</b>		
Balt. & Ohio, \$6, 1880, J. & J.....	2½ X	104
do do \$6, 1885, A. & C.....	107	108
V.V.W.a., 3d M.(guar.)\$5, J.&J.....	107	108
"Pittab. & Connellsv. Ts. \$6, do.....	104	105
Northern Central \$6, 1855, do.....	102	103
Central Pa. \$6, 1880, J. & J.....	104	108
do do \$6, gold, 1900, A. & S.....	20½	102
Penn. Ohio \$6, 1st M., 1890, M. & S.....	20	101
W.M.d. \$6, 1st M., (gr.)\$6, J. & J.....	100	101
do do \$6, 1st M., (gr.), J. & J.....	100	51
do do 2d M. (guar.) J. & J.....	108	
do do 2d M. (Prof.).....	91	96
do do \$6, 1st M., (gr.) A. & S.....	108	
Dar. & Cin. T's F. A. 1892.....	107½	107½
do do 2d M. & N.....	97½	97
Union P.R., 1st \$6, J. & J.....	101	75
do Canton endorsed.....	93	96
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>		
National Gas, certificate*.....	126	
*People's Gas Co., cert.*.....	25	25½
do Certificates.....		
<b>WASHINGTON,</b>		
<i>Districte of Columbia.</i>		
Perm. Imp., \$6, G.J. & J., 1891.....	98½	101
do do "A," 1891.....	96	97
Market Stock bonds, Ta. 1892.....	98	98
do do "B," 1892.....	98	98

Washington.	94	97
Ten year Bonds, cs, 1878.	93	96
Fund. Loan (Cong) 6 g., 1893.	97	100
Fund. Loan (Leg) 6 g., 1902.	97	100

Gen. of Stock (1828) 5s, at pleas	70	75
" " (1843) 6s, at pleas	85	90
Ches. & O. st'k ('47) 6s, at pleas.	85	90
<i>Georgetown.</i>		
General stock, 8s, 1881.....	95	...

Min. of Stock (1898) 5s. at place	70	75
do (1843) 6s. at place	85	90
Ches. & O. s'tk (47) 6s. at place	85	90
<i>Georgetown.</i>		
General stock, 8s. 1881.....	95	
do do, at pleasure.....	85	
County stock, 6s. do	85	
Market stock, 6s. do	85	
<i>Board of Public Works—</i>		
Cera. Gen. Imp. 8s, 1874.....	79	80
do do 1875.....	79	80

do	1876	79	80
do	1877	79	80
do	1878	79	80
do	Serie	79	80
Certificates, Sewer, \$8, 1875-77.		80	85
Water Certificates, \$8, 1877..		97	100

  

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Cincinnati 50.....	*94	86
do 50.....	*96	86
do 78.....	*107	86
do 78.....	*107	103
Cincinnati South'n R.R. 7.30s	102	108
Ham. Co., Ohio op. c. long bds.	*95	95
do do 7 p. l. torra	*95	95
do do 7 p. l. torra	*95	95
Cin. & Cov. Bridge bonds, pref	115	10
do bonds, long	80	95
Cin., Ham. & D. 1st M. S. 7.30s	96	94
do do 2d M. S. 7.30s	96	94
do do 2d M. S. 7.30s	*100	97
Cin., Ham. & Ind. Is guar	534	56
Cin. & Indiana 2d M. S. 7.30s	96	94
do do 2d M. S. 7.30s	70	75
Colum. & Xenia, 1st M. S. 8.10	102	105
Dayton & Mich, 1st M. S. 8.10	102	104
do do 2d M. S. 8.10	98	98
do do 2d M. S. 8.10	98	92
To To'd dep. bds, 7.30, 8.10	85	85

Dayton & Vent., 1st M., 1881...	100	...
do do 1st M., 1905...	86	90
do do 1st M., 6, 1905...	75	80
Ind., Cin. & Laf., 1st M., 7.....	69	70
do (I. & C.) 1st M., 7, 1888	89	90
Little Miami, 6, 1888	84	95

Lin. Ham. & Dayton stock....	55	60
Columbus & Xenia stock.....	100	100
Dayton & Michigan stock.....	42	43
do 8 p. c. st'k guar	103	105
Little Miami stock.....	97	98

Coulsville 6a, '82 to '87. ....	91 1/2	92
do 6a, '87 to '98. ....	91 1/2	92

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1. The first step is to identify the problem or question that needs to be answered.

U. S. Bonds and active Railroad Stocks are quoted on a previous page. Prices represent the per cent value, whatever the par may be.

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## NEW YORK LOCAL SECURITIES.

## Bank Stock List.

COMPANIES.	CAPITAL.	DIVIDENDS.		PRICE.				
Marked thus (*) are not National.	Par.	Amount.	Periods.	1874	1875	Last Paid.	Bid.	Asked
America*	100	3,000,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.	150	
American Exchange.	100	5,000,000	M. & N.	8	8	Nov. 1, '75.	113 1/2	115 1/2
Bowery	100	250,000	J. & J.	12	12	Jan. 3, '76.		
Broadway	25	1,000,000	J. & J.	24	24	Jan. 3, '76.		
Butcher's Head*	10	200,000	M. & S.	10	10	Sept. 1, '75.		
Butchers & Drovers	25	800,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.	131	100 1/2
Central	100	2,000,000	J. & J.	4	4	Jan. 3, '76.		
Chatham	25	450,000	J. & J.	4	4	Jan. 3, '76.		
Chemical	100	300,000	ev. 2 mos	91	100	Jan. 2, '76.	25	
Citizens*	25	800,000	J. & J.	10	9	Jan. 3, '76.		135
City	100	1,000,000	Q. & F.	30	30	Feb. 1, '76.	100	
Commerce	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 10, '75.	115	115 1/2
Continental	100	1,500,000	J. & J.	4	4	Jan. 5, '76.		
Corn Exchange*	100	1,000,000	F. & A.	10	10	Feb. 1, '76.	130	136
Currency	100	100,000	J. & J.	8		July 1, '74.		
Dry Goods	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	3	3	Jan. 10, '75.		
East River	25	850,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.		
Eleventh Ward*	25	300,000	J. & J.	7	7	Jan. 3, '76.		
Fifth	100	150,000	Q. & J.	11	7 1/2	July 1, '75.	25	
Fifth Avenue*	100	500,000						
First	100	500,000	Q. & J.	14	6	July 1, '75.	200	
Fourth	100	5,000,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.	84	90
Gallatin	30	600,000	M. & N.	11-2-3	10	Nov. 1, '75.	150	
Germantown	100	1,000,000	A. & O.	8	8	Oct. 9, '75.	135	
German American*	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	9	9	Jan. 1, '76.	75 1/2	78
German Exchange*	100	200,000	M. & N.	7	7	May 1, '74.		
German	100	200,000	M. & N.	10	8	May 1, '75.	8	
Greenwich	25	800,000	M. & N.	20	100	Dec. 1, '75.	80	
Grand Central	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.		
Grocers*	40	800,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.		
Hanover	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	3	3	Jan. 3, '76.	80	80
Harlem*	100	100,000	M. & S.	8	14	Oct. 1, '75.		
Importers & Traders	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.	135	
Irvine	50	300,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.		
Island City	30	100,000						
Leather Manufacturers	100	600,000	J. & J.	12	12	Jan. 3, '76.		190
Loaners	100	500,000	F. & A.	8 1/2	9	Feb. 12, '76.		
Manufacturers & Build.	100	450,000	F. & A.	10	10	Jan. 10, '76.		
Manhattan*	50	2,000,000	F. & A.	10	10	Feb. 10, '76.	147	
Manuf. & Merchants*	100	800,000	J. & J.	7	7	July 1, '75.	50	
Marine	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	11	10	Jan. 3, '76.		
Market	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.	113 1/2	114
Mechanics	25	2,000,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.	140	
Mech. Bkg Ass'n	50	300,000	M. & N.	7 1/2	6	Nov. 1, '75.		
Mechanics & Traders	25	600,000	M. & N.	10	10	Nov. 1, '75.		
Mercantile	100	1,000,000	M. & N.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.	117	120
Merchants	50	3,000,000	J. & J.	4	4	Jan. 3, '76.		130
Merchants' Ex.	50	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	8 1/2	Jan. 3, '76.		
Metropolis	100	500,000	J. & J.	8	13 1/2	Jan. 3, '76.		
Murray Hill	100	4,000,000	J. & J.	14	10	Jan. 3, '76.	138 1/2	139
Nassau	100	250,000	A. & O.	8	8	Oct. 1, '75.		
New York	100	1,000,000	M. & N.	8	8	Nov. 10, '75.	108 1/2	
New York County	100	3,000,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.	130	136
N. Y. Nat. Exchange	100	800,000	J. & J.	13	11 1/2	Jan. 3, '76.		66
N. Y. Gold Exchange*	100	500,000	J. & J.	13	7 1/2	May 1, '75.		
Ninth	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	4	Jan. 3, '76.	80	
North America*	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.		101
North River	100	400,000	J. & J.	7	7	Jan. 3, '76.		
Oriental*	25	300,000	J. & J.	12	12	Jan. 3, '76.	170	
Pacific*	50	425,000	Q. & F.	12	12	Feb. 1, '76.		
Park	100	2,000,000	J. & J.	12	12	Jan. 3, '76.	125	
Peoples	100	425,000	J. & J.	10	10	Jan. 3, '76.		
Phenix	20	1,800,000	J. & J.	7	7	Jan. 3, '76.	95	96 1/2
Produce*	100	250,000			8 1/2	July 15, '74.		
Republic	100	2,000,000	F. & A.	8	4	Feb. 5, '76.	91	84
St. Nicholas	100	1,000,000	F. & A.	8	8	Feb. 5, '76.		104
Seventh Ward	100	300,000	J. & J.	3	6	July 1, '75.		
Second	100	300,000	J. & J.	12	14	Jan. 3, '76.		
Shoe and Leather	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	12	12	Jan. 3, '76.		147 1/2
Sixth	100	200,000	J. & J.	3	8	July 1, '75.		
State of New York	100	2,000,000	M. & N.	8	8	Nov. 10, '75.	30	
Tenth	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	2 1/2	2 1/2	Jan. 2, '76.		
Third	100	1,000,000	J. & J.	8	8	Jan. 3, '76.		
Trademen's	100	1,000,000	M. & N.	10	10	Nov. 1, '75.	150	
Union	50	1,500,000	M. & N.	10	10	Nov. 1, '75.		
West side*	100	200,000	J. & J.	5	8	Jan. 1, '76.		

Gas and City B.R. Stocks and Bonds.  
(Quotations by Charles Otis, Broker, 47 Exchange Place.)

GAS COMPANIES.		Par.	Amount.	Periods.	Dividend.	Last Paid.	Bid.	Asked
Brooklyn Gas Light Co.		25	2,000,000	Q. & F.	5	Jan. '76		
Citizens' Gas Co. (Bklyn)		100	3,000,000	Q. & F.	2 1/2	Jan. '76		
do certificates			320,000	A. & O.	4	Oct. '75		
Harlem		50	1,800,000	F. & A.	4	Aug. '75	120	
Jersey City & Hoboken		25	800,000	J. & J.	5	Jan. '76	140	
Manhattan		100	4,000,000	M. & S.	10	Jan. '76	285	
Metropolitan		100	2,000,000	M. & S.	5	Jan. '76	145	
do certificates			1,000,000	M. & S.	7	Jan. '76	100	
Mutual N. Y.		100	5,000,000	J. & J.	2 1/2	Jan. '76	110	
Nassau, Brooklyn		25	1,000,000	M. & N.	7	Jan. '76	98	
do scrip			700,000	M. & N.	5	Jan. '76	148	
New York		100	4,000,000	M. & N.	8 1/2	Jan. '76		
Peoples' Gas Co.		100	1,000,000	F. & A.	8 1/2	Jan. '76		
do do bonds			625,000					
Westchester County		50	450,000	J. & J.	8 1/2	Jan. '76	100	
Certificates			55,000					
Bonds			21,000	J. & J.	4	Jan. '76		
Williamsburg		50	1,000,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
do scrip			1,000,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
Bleecker St. & Fulton Ferry		100	900,000	J. & J.	7	1880		
1st mortgage			694,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
Broadway & Seventh Ave.		100	2,100,000	J. & J.	2 1/2	Jan. '76		
1st mortgage			1,200,000	J. & J.	7	1884		
Brooklyn City		100	2,000,000	Q. & F.	3	Nov. '75	190	
1st mortgage			300,000	M. & N.	7	1872	102	
Brooklyn (Brooklyn)		100	200,000	J. & J.	3	Jan. '76	150	
Brooklyn & Hunter's Pt.		100	400,000	J. & J.	3	Oct. '75	62	
1st mortgage bonds			300,000	J. & J.	7	1888	85	
Central Pk. N. & E. River		100	1,300,000	F. & A.	7	1883		
1st mortgage			1,200,000	J. & J.	7	1887		
Christopher & Tenth St.		100	300,000	Q. & F.	2	Nov. '75	85	
Coney Island & Brooklyn		100	300,000	J. & J.	7	1877		
Dry Dock, E. & Battery		100	1,200,000	Q. & F.	2	Nov. '75		
1st mortgage, bonds			1,000,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76	97	
High Avenue		100	1,000,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76	100	
1st mortgage			200,000	M. & N.	7	Nov. '75		
1st St. & Grand St. Ferry		100	748,000	A. & O.	7	1878		
1st mortgage			236,000					
Central Cross		100	300,000	J. & J.	7	1878		
1st mortgage			200,000					
Ninth Avenue		100	797,320	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
1st mortgage			307,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
Second Avenue		100	800,000	F. & A.	7	1877		
1st mortgage			200,000					
3d mortgage			150,000	A. & O.	7	1885		
Cora. Converter		100	617,000	M. & N.	5	Nov. '75		
North Avenue		100	750,000	M. & N.	5	Nov. '75		
1st mortgage			415,000	J. & J.	7	1880		
Third Avenue		100	2,000,000	Q. & F.	2 1/2	Nov. '75		
1st mortgage			2,000,000	J. & J.	7	Jan. '76		
Fourth Avenue		100	600,000	M. & N.	7	Jan. '76		
1st mortgage			110,000					

\* This column shows last dividend on stocks, also date of maturity of bonds.

## Insurance Stock List.

(Quotations by K. S. BAILLY, broker, 66 Wall street.)

COMPANIES.	CAPITAL.		NET BUR VALUE.		DIVIDENDS.				PRICE.	
	Par.	Amount.	Jan. 1, 1876.	1872 1873 1874 1875	Last Paid.	Bid.	Ask'd			
Adriatic	25	200,000	38,608	10	434	10	Jan. '76, 5	70	80	
Aetna	100	200,000	22,580	5	10	14	Jan. '76, 12 1/2	90	100	
American	50	400,000	3,076.8	14	14	14	Jan. '76, 7	110	120	
American Exch'g.	100	200,000	85,063	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	106	112	
Amity	100	200,000	10,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Arctic	20	200,000	13,966	10	5	10	Jan. '76, 5	75	80	
Atlantic	50	200,000	133,05	20	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	110	120	
Bowery	25	200,000	43,632	20	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	90	100	
Brewers & M.L.'s	100	200,000	10,000	20	5	5	Jan. '76, 5	85	90	
Broadway	25	200,000	301,593	15	20	20	Feb. '76, 11	215	225	
Brooklyn	17	150,000	299,167	20	20	20	Jan. '76, 5	250	260	
Citizens	20	200,000	36,390	20	10	10	Feb. '76, 7 1/2	105	115	
City	20	210,000	10,000	20	144	20	Feb. '76, 10	165	175	
Clinton	100	250,000	192,247	17	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	130	140	
Columbia	30	200,000	39,154	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	75	85	
Commerce Fire	100	200,000	10,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Commercial	50	200,000	189,315	11	5	13	Jan. '76, 15	125	135	
Continental	100	1,000,000	600,232	8 1/2	10	9 1/2	Jan. '76, 50	125	171 1/4	
Eagle	40	300,000	5,105.69	20	20	20	Oct. '75, 15	300	310	
Empire City	100	200,000	141,490	20	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	105	115	
Essex	100	200,000	30,455	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	105	115	
Exchange	30	200,010	13,812	5	10	15	Jan. '76, 10	100	110	
Farragut	50	200,000	146,080	5 1/2	10	12 1/2	Jan. '76, 10	130	140	
Firemen's	10	200,000	116,340	5	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	130	135	
Firemen's Fund	10	150,000	35,563	5	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	80	90	
Firemen's Trust	10	150,000	11,029	10	10	12	Jan. '76, 5	115	125	
Gebhard	100	200,000	21,336	10	5	0	Feb. '76, 8	100	110	
German-American	100	1,000,000	600,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	125	135	
Germania	50	200,000	616,100	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 15	147	155	
Globe	50	200,000	158,098	12 1/2	12 1/2	13	Jan. '76, 10	145	150	
Greenwich	125	200,000	322,191	25	25	30	Jan. '76, 10	300	320	
Guaranty	100	200,000	55,629	8 1/2	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	90	100	
Guardian	100	200,000	144,867	17 1/2	20	20	Jan. '76, 10	165	170	
Hamilton	15	150,000	392,059	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	116	120	
Hanover	50	200,000	92,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	80	90	
Hoffman	100	200,000	399,723	5	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	107	110	
Hope	25	150,000	36,590	5	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	90	100	
Howard	50	200,000	196,571	10	10	12 1/2	Jan. '76, 6	113	123	
Importers & Trad.	100	200,000	10,000	10	7 1/2	13	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Jefferson	100	200,010	137,409	10	10	10	Feb. '76, 5	170	180	
Kings Co. (B'klyn)	100	200,000	119,712	10	10	20	Jan. '76, 10	195	205	
Ketchikan	100	200,000	71,334	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Lafayette (B'klyn)	50	200,000	1,5314	10	10	20	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Lamar	100	200,000	117,344	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	105	110	
Lenox	25	150,000	86,973	15	15	10	Jan. '76, 10	100	110	
Long Island (B'klyn)	100	200,000	15,675	15	15	10	Jan. '76, 10	100	110	
Manhattan	100	200,000	103,23	7	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Manuf & Builders'	100	200,000	135,024	5	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Mech & Elec	100	200,000	292,423	10	10	14	Jan. '76, 7	115	125	
Mechanics (B'klyn)	25	150,000	171,391	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	170	180	
Mercantile	50	200,000	65,058	5	5	10	Jan. '76, 5	12 1/2	13 1/2	
Mercantants	50	200,000	181,276	20	7	11	Jan. '76, 10	190	200	
Metropolitan	100	200,000	329,890	20	20	20	Jan. '76, 10	160	170	
Montgomery	50	200,000	129,077	20	20	20	Jan. '76, 10	160	170	
Nassau (B'klyn)	50	200,000	215,599	25	20	20	Jan. '76, 10	195	205	
National	37 1/2	200,000	115,164	5	10	12	Jan. '76, 5	125	135	
N. York & E. River	100	200,000	89,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
N. Y. & L'onkers.	100	200,000	214,011	16	18	20	Feb. '76, 10	170	175	
Niagara	25	200,000	36,286	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	85	95	
North River	100	200,000	457,398	16	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	115	118 1/2	
Pacific	100	200,000	137,044	10	12	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Park	100	200,000	176,229	14	18	20	Jan. '76, 10	170	180	
Peter Cooper	20	150,000	225,567	16	20	20	Jan. '76, 10	235	245	
Phoenix (B'klyn)	50	200,000	141,040	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	160	170	
Phenix (B'klyn)	50	1,000,000	785,969	10	10	15	Jan. '76, 10	165	175	
Produce Exchange	100	200,000	21,04	10	5	5	Jan. '76, 5	100	110	
Relief	100	200,000	71,825	10	5	10	Jan. '76, 5	90	100	
Reuben	125	200,000	135,000	10	11	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Ridgewood	100	200,000	88,690	10	10	11	Jan. '76, 5	110	120	
Resolute	100	200,000	23,975	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 5	60	67	
Rutgers	100	200,000	22,368	20	20	20	Feb. '76, 15	125	135	
Saltwater	100	200,000	135,000	10	10	12 1/2	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
St. Nicholas	25	200,000	49,945	10	10	11	Feb. '76, 5	100	110	
Standard	50	200,000	151,394	15 1/2	6	15	Jan. '76, 56	177	190	
Star	100	200,000	125,344	10	10	13 1/2	Jan. '76, 7 1/2	100	110	
Star Line	100	200,000	135,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Strawson	100	200,000	174,015	12	16	20	Jan. '76, 10	160	170	
Trademen's	25	150,000	189,978	14	10	14	Jan. '76, 15	180	190	
United States	45	250,000	361,511	14	10	14	Jan. '76, 5	160	170	
Wabster	100	200,000	135,000	10	10	10	Jan. '76, 10	125	135	
Williamsburg City	50	250,020	374,100	10	10	12	Jan. '76, 10	135	145	

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## STATE, CITY AND CORPORATION FINANCES.

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## ANNUAL REPORTS.

## Northern Central Railway.

(For the year ending December 31, 1875.)

The annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1875, has the following:

REVENUE OF MAIN LINE AND LEASED AND CONTROLLED ROADS.	OPERATING EXPENSES.
From passengers..... \$316,003	For conducting transportation..... \$1,070,944
From freight..... 3,621,762	For motive power..... 863,727
From express..... 85,736	For maintenance of way..... 1,079,021
From mails..... 47,480	For maintenance of cars..... 275,568
From miscellaneous sources..... 250,372	For general expenses..... 73,568
Total..... \$4,936,347	Total..... \$3,362,128
Leaving as net earnings.....	Total..... \$1,564,124

In comparison with the year 1874 there was an increase in gross earnings of \$249,747 27, equal to 5.34-100 per cent, and a decrease in the operating expenses of \$21,430 27, equal to 63-100 of one per cent. The increase in the net earnings was \$271,177 54, or 20.97-100 per cent.

The operating expenses were 68.95-100 per cent of the gross earnings, which, in comparison with 1874, shows a reduction of 4.15-100 per cent.

In addition to the net earnings as above stated of..... \$1,564,124 01 There was received from dividends and interest..... 59,632 03 And contribution for operating Elmira, Chemung & Canandaigua divisions (from Pennsylvania Railroad Company)..... 82,893 27

Total.....	\$1,706,639 31
Which was applied as follows:	
Dividend Chemung Railroad.....	\$1,659 03
Interest on funded debt.....	609,120 00
Interest on income bonds.....	280,000 00
Interest, discount, gold premium and taxes.....	114,230 50
Rental Shamokin Valley & Pottsville Railroad.....	32,167 00
Rental Elmira & Williamsport Railroad.....	185,000 00
Rental Elmira J. Fiers m & Canandaigua Railroad.....	25,000 00—1,347,176 50

Balance net income for 1875..... \$459,462 81

Equal to 7.86-100 per cent upon the capital stock of the company.

An additional expense of \$173,950 was incurred in replacing locomotives and cars worn out and destroyed in previous years. The amount so expended is reported as an extraordinary expense, in a separate item. It was used to pay for the following new equipment:

Five first-class freight locomotives of the consolidation class, 20 by 24 inch cylinders, at \$11,000.....	\$55,000 00
105 eight-wheeled coal cars, 15 tons capacity, at \$550.....	57,750 00
73 eight-wheeled box cars, at \$600.....	43,800 00
Four first-class passenger cars, at \$4,500.....	18,000 00

Total..... \$173,950 00

The net income for the year 1875, as above stated, was \$459,462 81

From which deduct extraordinary expenses in replacing rolling stock..... 173,950 00

Total..... \$285,512 81

Add balance to credit of net income January 1, 1875..... 62,704 80

Balance to credit of net income December 31, 1875..... \$368,217 61

Equal to 6.8-10 per cent for dividend purposes after payment of extraordinary renewals.

"Although the results of the operation of your lines during the year 1875 were very favorable, your board considered it best that no dividends should be declared until the financial condition of the company should be strengthened by a reduction of the bills payable, and until the means should be provided for the construction of the necessary facilities at Baltimore to accommodate the growing traffic of the road. Both these objects having been accomplished, and there being, in the judgment of your board, a reasonable certainty, under the proposed modification of your bonded debt, and the reduction of interest liability consequent thereupon, that the payment of regular semi-annual dividends can now be commenced and continued, it has been determined to pay in April next 3 per cent."

The bills payable of the company January 1, 1875, were..... \$639,821 47

On January 1, 1876, the bills payable were..... 466,420 95

Showing a decrease of..... \$173,400 52

Assets on hand Jan. 1, 1876, in securities that may be sold..... \$641,802 83

Real estate in the city of Baltimore, off the line of road, and not required for its purposes, which has been estimated, at current market rates, to be worth..... 300,000 00

Total..... \$941,802 83

These two items, at very low valuations, being more than equal to all bills payable.

The total number of passengers carried one mile was: 1875, 29,829,933; 1874, 29,858,571; decrease, 29,248.

The amount received for the transportation of passengers in 1875..... \$316,003 21

Passengers in 1874..... 364,618 64

Decrease in 1875..... \$48,615 43

The number of tons of freight moved one mile was: 1875, 358,540,557; 1874, 216,980,583; increase, 41,560,035. Showing an increase in the tonnage mileage of 19.154-1000 per cent; a very

encouraging statement when the continued depression of all manufacturing interests throughout the year is considered.

Of the large improvement in terminal facilities at Baltimore the report says of the expense: "It is gratifying to be able to report that although more real estate has been purchased than was at first contemplated, the estimated expenditures given in the last report, for this purpose, and for the work of construction required, will be exceeded but little, if at all. The entire amount of the estimate was \$690,000, the outlay to this time has been \$374,519 14, and the amount required to complete the improvements, basing the revised estimates upon contracts actually made, is placed at \$312,071 45, making a total cost of \$686,590 59."

Of the changes in bonded debt:

"The question of suspending the payment of interest on the 7 per cent income bonds of this company, as set forth in the treasurer's report, until the company should be entirely free from all floating debt, was considered; but it was proposed by holders that the conversion of these bonds into obligations secured by mortgage, bearing a lower rate of interest, would benefit the company and also the holders, by giving them a marketable security. With a view to thus reducing the annual interest account of the company, negotiations were opened by your general counsel, under direction of the board, during the past summer, with holders of a large majority of the \$3,000,000 of 7 per cent income bonds due Jan. 1, 1882, resulting in their agreeing to accept in exchange for the income bonds at par, 5 per cent currency bonds at par, having fifty years to run, secured by mortgage. To provide for this exchange, and to redeem \$1,000,000 other income convertible bonds, and to provide for future use of the company an additional million of bonds, if required for its other purposes, a mortgage for \$5,000,000 was executed to the Fidelity Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Company, of Philadelphia, as trustees, covering the entire property of the company, subject to all existing mortgages, and it has been duly recorded. It was also agreed that, to give additional security to the bonds, all the stock held by this company in the lines north of Elmira should be transferred to the trustees of the new mortgage—the voting power and operating facilities to remain with this company.

"The board also ask authority from the stockholders to use one million of these bonds in exchange for the present one million convertible incomes due in 1890, at a rate of interest not exceeding 6 per cent currency. This exchange, if effected, will reduce the mortgage liability for interest ten thousand dollars more per annum—the remaining \$1,000,000 to be reserved, and not issued until required by the wants of the company, and under the approval and authority of its stockholders.

"Under the authority given at the general meeting of the stockholders, held Feb. 25, 1875, one million dollars of bonds, under the consolidated mortgage created and executed May 26, 1874, were sold through the house of Drexel & Co., realizing 87½ per cent net, clear of commissions. The proceeds are being used in expenditures for terminal facilities, real estate and construction in Baltimore, and to reduce the bills payable of the company."

## GENERAL BALANCE DEC. 31, 1875.

Assets.	
Railway and appurtenances.....	\$11,761,267
Real estate.....	1,043,461
Equipment.....	3,940,876
Stock of Chemung R. R. Co. and Elmira Jefferson & Canandaigua R. R. Co.....	\$16,745,406
Cash on hand and in bank.....	3,048,680
Due from agents.....	\$410,987
Due from connecting roads, &c.....	111,910
Bonds and stocks.....	493,558
Suspense accounts.....	641,803
Materials and supplies.....	100,719
	550,863
	2,309,792
	\$22,103,879
Liabilities.	
Capital stock, 116,840 shares.....	\$5,842,000
Mortgage debt.....	10,384,000
Income bonds.....	4,000,000
Bills payable.....	\$466,420
Proportion of interest and rents chargeable against the revenues of the year 1875, but not yet due.....	416,684
Pay-rolls and vouchers.....	574,825
Other current liabilities.....	51,790
	1,509,661
	\$21,755,661
Profit and loss account.....	368,217
	\$22,103,879

## Pittsburgh Titusville &amp; Buffalo (formerly Oil Creek &amp; Allegheny River).

(For the year ending December 31, 1875.)

The road was recently sold under foreclosure of the consolidated mortgage, and re-organized under the present name. The capital account is now as follows:

Stock.....	\$5,000,000
First mortgage bonds, 7 per cent.....	\$2,580,000
Second mortgage bonds, 7 per cent.....	1,150,000
Income bonds, 6 per cent.....	340,000
Total bonded debt.....	4,070,000
Total.....	\$9,070,000

The old first mortgage bonds were not affected by the foreclosure. The new second mortgage bonds were issued for the old consolidated bonds, the income bonds for accrued interest and other claims, and the stock chiefly to the old stockholders. The object of the foreclosure was mainly to shut out some large floating debt claims, some of which, it is charged, were fraudulent and all doubtful. The annual interest charge is now \$381,500.

The earnings and expenses for the year were as follows:



	1875.	1874.
Gross earnings.....	\$809,796	\$846,551
Working expenses.....	570,873	562,119
Net earnings.....	\$238,920	\$284,733
Gross earnings per mile.....	\$7,042	\$7,564
Net.....	2,078	2,476
Per cent. of expenses.....	70.50	66.38

The earnings for several years past have shown a steady decline, due mainly to the transfer of the centre of oil production from the territory served by the road to the new Butler oil fields. This decline was somewhat checked last year, the decrease in gross earnings having been less than for several years previous. The following table shows the gross and net earnings for five years past:

	Gross.	Net.
1871.....	\$1,675,009	\$631,503
1872.....	1,385,554	461,531
1873.....	1,067,734	312,738
1874.....	846,852	284,733
1875.....	809,796	238,920

The year 1875, therefore, shows a decrease from 1871 of 51.7 per cent. in gross and of 63.3 per cent. in net earnings.

#### Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co.

(For the Year ending December 31, 1875).

The Board of Managers report for the year 1875 the following, viz.:

Revenue from railroads.....	\$1,059,548
Revenue from Nesquehoning Tunnel tolls.....	18,702
Revenue from canal.....	200,000
Revenue from coal lands.....	500,000
Net profit on real estate sold.....	9,999
Miscellaneous receipts.....	60,935
Total.....	\$1,849,085

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

General expenses.....	\$59,704
Rent and taxes Nesquehoning Valley RR.....	143,347
Interest account.....	784,636
Taxes chargeable to landed property.....	5,421
Taxes due State on dividends.....	72,989
Sinking fund of ten cents per ton on 397,436.13 tons coal.....	39,743
Four dividends of \$1 per share each.....	805,595
Balance charged to dividend fund.....	\$65,191
Balance to credit of dividend fund, Dec. 31, 1874.....	715,265

Balance to credit of dividend fund, Dec. 31, 1875..... \$650,073

The coal tonnage on the Lehigh & Susquehanna Railroad and Lehigh Canal, compared with that of 1874, was as follows, viz.: 1874, 3,071,487 tons; 1875, 2,735,819 tons.

The gross receipts of the company's railroad during 1875, as compared with 1874, were as follows:

	1875.	1874.	Decrease.
Passengers.....	\$163,078	\$183,158	\$20,080
Freight.....	\$99,918	\$59,167	29,349
Coal.....	2,685,649	2,643,975	137,325
Totals.....	\$3,178,646	\$3,385,301	\$206,655
L. C. & N. Co.'s proportion.....	1,069,548	1,128,433	58,885

The total revenue for the year was \$33,235 78 less than that for 1874, and the disbursements for interest, rent, expenses, &c., other than for dividends and taxes thereon, were reduced, \$70,184 88. We paid, in 1874, three dividends of 2 per cent. each, and, in 1875, four dividends of 2 per cent. each. The surplus in 1874 was \$202,728 70, and the deficit in 1875, \$65,191 17. The result of the business of the last two years shows \$137,537 53 surplus earnings after the payment of 14 per cent. in dividends to the stockholders.

We have credited to the lessees (Central RR. of N. J.) \$371,787 for construction work since the last report.

Our lessees, with our approval, commenced in August last the construction of a branch road from the mouth of Sandy Run, 4 1/2 miles below White Haven, to Eckley and Drifton, a total distance of 102-3 miles. This branch is expected to bring a large amount of coal to the main line. As a part of the agreement with the Central Railroad Company, under which they commenced the work, we contracted to pay them \$150,000 on account of their advances for construction work, and we made the payment during the fall.

The means for the payment referred to on construction account were provided by the sale of 8,000 shares of stock obtained by the conversion of part of the convertible loan of the company, referred to in the last annual report as available for this and for other purposes. The managers deemed it for the interest of the company to issue stock rather than to increase our bonded debt. They also sold 1,153 shares of stock to provide the means to make payments on 175 acres of land in Panther Creek Valley, the purchase of which was reported at the last annual meeting. There is still due on this purchase \$63,528 12.

The capital stock was increased during the year by the conversion

	Shares.
By the company of \$150,000 convertible loan.....	3,000
By the company of \$57,450 convertible loan.....	1,153
By holders of convertible loan \$91,000.....	1,820

Total present issue..... 5,973

The company still has the right to issue \$986,970 82 of convertible loan due in 1882, which would yield, if converted, 19,739 shares of stock. It is not probable that the financial wants of the company will require the issue of any large part of this during 1876.

The lessees of our coal property paid the monthly rent of \$41,686 67 promptly and regularly during the year. No coal was mined until about the 1st of July, and the six months' production amounted to 397,436 13-100 tons, of which 69,074 1-100 tons were pea and buckwheat. The royalty of 21 per cent on the price realized at Mauch Chunk amounted

To 64 3-10 cents on 338,332 12 tons of lump and prepared sizes.....	\$211,119 75
To 21 cents on 69,074 01 tons of pea and buckwheat.....	14,505 54
To the difference between this amount.....	\$325,635 29
And the rent paid.....	500,000 00

Must be added the royalty paid in advance in 1874..... \$274,374 71

167,105 65

Making a total of royalty paid in advance..... \$441,480 36

This overpayment, as was explained in our report of last year, will be reserved hereafter by the lessees from any amount then due us over and above the minimum rental.

In answer to the question, "How much property has the company not covered by its mortgages?" which was asked at the last annual meeting, we will state that the real estate unincumbered is worth at least \$700,000, and the personal property, bonds, &c., at least \$350,000.

The company has no floating debt whatever.

E. W. CLARK, President.

#### Consolidation Coal Company.

(For the year ending December 31, 1875).

The annual report shows the following:

The gross receipts from mines, railroads, rents, &c., (including value of coal on hand), were.....	\$2,648,178 36
Total expenses of every kind (exclusive of interest and sinking fund), but including steel rails and other permanent improvements.....	1,876,403 07

Net earnings for year 1875, exclusive of interest and sinking fund.....	\$771,776 29
The interest on the funded debt for the year was.....	\$192,410 53
Sinking fund (retiring \$78,000 of mortgage bonds).....	70,985 00

Total interest and sinking fund for year 1875.....	\$263,395 52
Net earnings for year 1875.....	\$508,380 77
Semi-annual dividend, paid Sept. 15, 1875.....	256,260 00

Surplus of year's earnings, after payment of all expenses, interest, sinking fund and dividend.....	\$252,120 77
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#### FUNDED DEBT.

The total mortgage debt of the company, was on the first day of January, 1875.....	\$3,159,100
Reduced by sinking fund in the year.....	\$78,000
And still further reduced by taking up and cancelling the remaining outstanding bonds of the Georges Creek Coal and Iron Company.....	98,600
	176,600

Total funded debt, Jan. 1, 1876..... \$2,982,500

The sum of \$98,600 paid to the Georges Creek Coal and Iron Company was the last instalment due that company under the agreement made in 1863 for the purchase of their railroad between Frostburg and Piedmont, now constituting part of the Cumberland & Pennsylvania Railroad. This payment has been made out of the surplus and working capital of the company.

To secure its liquidation at or before maturity, \$100,000 in the six per cent first mortgage bonds of the Cumberland & Pennsylvania Railroad were deposited with Messrs. Livermore and Mott, the trustees of said mortgage. These bonds have been delivered to the Treasurer of this company, and may be either sold or temporarily hypothecated, should additional working capital be required.

#### MINING AND TRANSPORTATION.

Mined and delivered from the Consolidation Companies' mines:

	Tons.
In the year 1874.....	467,481
In the year 1875.....	448,933
Decrease.....	18,548

The year 1875 has been one of almost unexampled depression in manufacturing and commercial interests. The Cumberland coal-field has suffered under the general stagnation to the extent of 56,000 tons reduction for the year, and the Consolidation Coal Co. has borne its full proportion (19,000 tons) of this decrease; notwithstanding which, the net profits of this company, as above reported, have increased—its debt has been reduced, and the scale of dividends advanced. These results, under the circumstances, furnish strong arguments—first, as to the great and growing value of the Cumberland coal-fields; second, as to the wisdom of the policy pursued by this company for the past few years.

—A law in the Maryland Legislature, to reduce the rates charged on the Cumberland & Pennsylvania Railroad, has been the cause of the recent depression in this company's stock.

#### Mobile & Montgomery Railroad.

(For the year ending November 30, 1875.)

The annual report has the following:

The fiscal year closed the 30th day of November, 1875, but as the property was passed by the trustees into the hands of the officers on the 26th of November, 1874, together with the cash balance, the earnings are included herein, and the balance of those four days, November 26-30, 1874, is brought forward.	
Balance carried to New Year account.....	\$11,051
Receipts from Dec. 1, 1874, to Dec. 1, 1875.....	\$396,890
Expenses for same period.....	428,894

Net earnings for year ending Nov. 30, 1875..... 168,496

Total net earnings Nov. 30, 1874, to Dec. 1, 1875..... \$179,547

Disbursed as follows:

For construction account.....	\$185,382
For land for Central Depot.....	1,290
For new depot at Montgomery.....	23,663
For two new engines.....	18,240
	\$178,475

Leaving balance to credit of the company, Nov. 30, 1875..... \$1,070

Amount received from trustees first mortgage bonds, M. & M. R. R..... \$17,612

For payments on account of this fund..... 21,223

Leaving due M. & M. Railway Co. on account of this fund..... \$3,61

The receipts from Nov. 26, 1874, to Dec. 1, 1875, were divided as follows, viz:

Freight receipts from South & North Railroad.....	\$37,779
Freight receipts from Western Railroad.....	55,349
Freight receipts from New Orleans Railroad.....	67,002
Freight receipts from line of M. & M. Railroad.....	193,499—\$373,630
Passenger receipts from South & North Railroad.....	9,278
Passenger receipts from Western Railroad.....	37,511
Passenger receipts from New Orleans Railroad.....	34,737
Passenger receipts from line of M. & M. Railroad.....	105,713—187,730
Mail receipts for the year.....	27,223
Express receipts for the year.....	15,396
Miscellaneous receipts for the year.....	10,836

Total receipts.....\$614,416

The improvements suggested in the report of the 18th of Dec., 1874, have been carried on economically and energetically, and are as far complete as the application of the net earnings would permit. The track, which was in a very bad condition, is vastly improved, and by the 1st of April the Texas extension will be up to grade, when it is proposed to close the construction account, so far as the track is concerned.

The new Constitution of Alabama, which went into effect on the 6th ultimo, in the opinion of counsel learned in the law, releases our shareholders from all personal liability.

The Louisville & Nashville road (the owners of the South & North road) have not proved as strong an ally as was expected, but our mutual business is increasing recently to an extent that will probably induce more harmony and satisfaction in the business relations of the two companies in the future.

The position of the Mobile & Montgomery road in the system of Southern roads is a peculiarly important one; and when the business of the Southern country increases to such an extent that each road will content itself with its legitimate business, and not try to rob its neighbor by "cutting rates," your road will then control the business that belongs to it as a trunk line.

#### GENERAL BALANCE SHEET, NOV. 30, 1875.

Liabilities.	Assets.
Capital stock.....\$3,022,517	Roadway account.....\$2,999,691
Bonds M. & M. RR. due.....\$290,000	Real estate account—for value depot buildings, station houses, &c.....301,808
Mortgage notes for real estate and depot at Mobile.....92,750	Motive power account—for value 32 locomotives and materials and supplies.....216,579
1st mortgage bonds of M. & M. RR.....41,000	Rolling stock account—for value cars of all kinds, materials, &c.....138,670
Old 1st mort. bonds of A. & F. RR.....2,000—355,750	For roadway and equipment, Nov. 30, 1875.....\$3,556,744
For net income for year, Nov. 50, 1875, 179,547—179,547	Due the company No. 30, 1875.....77,784
On various accounts.....\$3,587,815	Amount materials and supplies on hand Nov. 30, 1875, over 1874.....29,632
	\$3,664,181

#### GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.

**Atlantic Mississippi & Ohio.**—A bill filed at Richmond, Va., in the United States Circuit Court by Francis Skiddy, William Butler Duncan and S. L. M. Barlow, of New York, against the Atlantic Mississippi & Ohio Railroad, to foreclose the fifteen million dollar mortgage, of which they are the trustees, and for the appointment of a receiver, is accompanied by a circular letter issued by General William Mahone, dated London, December 15, 1875, and addressed "To the Consolidated Bondholders of the Atlantic Mississippi & Ohio Railroad Company," embracing the following statement of the company's liabilities and assets:

LIABILITIES.	
To capital stock.....	\$6,921,900
Funded debt of divisions, including January, 1874, coupon (\$120,000) funded into certificates.....	5,123,041
Consolidated loan, including unpaid and unfunded interest to Oct. 1, 1875.....	5,906,415
Obligation to the State of Virginia for stocks and securities in the divisional bonds handed over to the company.....	4,400,000
Floating debt September 30, 1875.....	1,056,341
Balance.....	3,570,165
Total.....	\$26,878,862

PROPERTY.	
By cash expended on construction to September 30, 1875.....	\$19,373,404
Stocks and securities on Norfolk & Petersburg, Southside, Virginia & Tennessee, and Virginia & Kentucky roads, handed over by the State of Virginia.....	6,871,130
Doubtful assets.....	834,828
Total.....	\$26,878,862

Excess of property over liabilities, \$3,571,165.

**Boston & Maine.**—The Massachusetts Supreme Court has just rendered a decision for the Boston & Maine Railroad against the Portland Saco & Portsmouth Railroad Company, in an action on contract brought to recover the sum of \$566,194 84, alleged to be due from the defendant to the plaintiff. At a hearing before Judge Devenes it was agreed that the case should be sent to the full bench on the question whether the plaintiff could alone maintain an action for its share of any sum found to be due under the contract; and with an understanding that if the action could be maintained then it should stand for trial, after having been sent to an auditor. The receipt of the full Court has been sent down and is as follows: "Case referred to an auditor. The defendant having settled with the Eastern Railroad Company, this action may be maintained by the plaintiff alone."

**California Pacific Extension Bonds.**—The following is translated in substance from the *German-Am. Economist* of Frankfurt: On the 24th of February, a meeting, called by the Extension Committee, was held in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, to consider the proposition made by the Central Pacific Company. Dr. Levy gave a brief resume of the proceedings against the California Pacific

Company. It is well known that the committee declared the proposition made by the Central Pacific Company in the summer of 1874, immediately after the default on interest, unacceptable, and decided to commence proceedings at law. The difficulties of the latter were considerably increased by a decision, given in October of the same year, allowing the claim of a certain Haggin (formerly construction contractor of the California Pacific) for \$1,800,000. The committee now, not only directed its effort toward having the California Pacific declared bankrupt, but sought also to have the claim of Haggin annulled. On the 20th December, 1874, a decision favorable to the bondholders on both points was given. Haggin appealed from this decision, and the proceedings were carried through another half year. In July, of last year, as the second suit approached its close, and a decision was daily expected, the Central Pacific—which had until then remained passive—contrary to expectation, offered the present proposition. The Central Pacific offers two million 6 per cent. thirty year bonds secured by a mortgage on the lines of the California Pacific, and guaranteed by the Central Pacific, for the three and a half million of 7 per cent. extension bonds. Principal and interest of the new bonds are payable in gold in New York, interest to begin July 1, 1875. The claim of Haggin is to be withdrawn in favor of the bondholders. A further million of three per cent. bonds is to be issued to cover the one million income bonds. The Central Pacific attaches to this proposition the condition that, within twelve months from the date of the proposition, the owners of all but seventy—\$3,430,000—of the bonds give their assent. Until then, the bonds are to be deposited in the Nevada Bank, and if, at the end of that time, the required number does not give its assent, the bonds are to be returned to their owners. The committee has from the beginning doubted its ability to accept the proposition, owing to the improbability of getting the required number to assent, but has thought it advisable to get the opinion of the bondholders.

The chairman of the meeting, Mr. Sonnemann, stated that the committee represented in round numbers \$2,800,000 of the bonds. There is a likelihood, he said, that this sum may be considerably increased, though it was certainly doubtful whether the required amount could be obtained. As to the method of dividing the \$2,000,000 of 6 per cent. bonds, Mr. S. said that if the bondholders accepted the agreement, every \$1,000 of bonds will receive \$500 in new bonds. The rest of the new bonds will be sold by the committee, and the proceeds, after payment of the expenses, which are quite large, will be divided among the bondholders. The proposition was not, therefore, to be regarded as giving four new bonds for every seven old bonds, but that more than \$250,000 were to cover the expenses of the committee and the loss of three coupons. In response to a question as to the guarantee of the Central Pacific Company, Dr. Levy, who read the report of the committee, declared it merely a personal guarantee, not possessing the value of a real guarantee, but nevertheless nothing better could be obtained from the Central Pacific Company.

The meeting adopted, without a formal vote, the following resolution: "The meeting approves all the past steps of the committee and places all further action in its hand."

**Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad.**—Holders of a majority of both the 6 and 7 per cent mortgage bonds of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad having assented to the proposed plan of re-organization, an election for a "Committee of Purchase and Re-organization" will be held. Votes can be received by mail; the polls to close April 10. The ticket presented consists of Messrs. A. A. Low, John Castree, C. P. Huntington and A. S. Hatch, of New York City, and Mr. Isaac Davenport, Jr., of Richmond, Va. The tellers of election are Messrs. Francis A. Fogg, Wm. G. Low and James J. Tracy. Address, Box 235, Post-Office, New York City.

**Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul.**—A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Thursday, and the Board declared a dividend of 14 per cent on the preferred stock of the company, 7 per cent on the net earnings of 1874, and 7 per cent on the net earnings of the road in 1875. This dividend is payable on April 10, in the consolidated sinking-fund bonds of the company. The following was submitted:

STATEMENT OF INCOME ACCOUNT.	
Balance to credit of income account, after the payment of dividend on preferred stock in March, 1874, out of the net earnings of 1873.....	\$727,083
Net earnings for the year 1874.....	\$3,061,900
Less interest on bonds for 1874.....	\$1,956,065
Other items charged against income account.....	146,807—2,102,892—379,008
Net earnings for the year 1875.....	\$3,066,389
Less interest on bonds for 1875.....	\$1,980,227
Other items charged against income account.....	63,519—2,043,746—1,041,643
	\$2,747,563

A dividend of 7 per cent out of the net earnings of 1874 on \$12,274,483 preferred stock.....	\$859,215
A dividend of 7 per cent out of the net earnings of 1875 on \$12,274,483 preferred stock.....	859,215—1,718,430

Balance to credit of income account, applicable to future dividends on common stock.....\$1,029,255

**Cincinnati Hamilton & Dayton.**—Messrs. Winslow, Lanier & Co. give notice that they are prepared to pay off the issue of \$500,000 8 per cent. bonds due June 1, 1876, at par and accrued interest, or to exchange them for new 7 per cent. bonds at 101 and accrued interest.

The same firm is offering for sale first consolidated mortgage bonds of the company having thirty years to run and bearing 7 per cent. interest. The total amount secured by the consolidated mortgage is \$3,000,000; the United States Trust Company is trustee.

By the last annual report the bonded debt of the company was \$2,250,000; deducting the \$500,000 due in June, \$1,750,000. The company's road is 60 miles long, and it works 285 more under lease, being almost sole owner of 98 miles of the leased roads.



**Davenport & St. Paul.**—The foreclosure sale of this road, which was to have taken place March 2d, has been postponed to March 27th.

**Detroit & Milwaukee.**—A meeting of parties interested in the fate of the Detroit & Milwaukee road was held at Detroit on the 8th inst. The Detroit parties present were C. H. Buhl, James F. Joy, George H. Jerome, (Attorney of the road), Hon. H. N. Walker, Allen Sheldon, who represented Zach Chandler; Mr. Trowbridge, Receiver of the road, and engineers of the corporation. The Great Western road, which is a heavy creditor, was represented by Hon. Hugh Childers, of London, and other officers from London and Canada. Some discussion was had as to the proposed plans. Mr. Trowbridge, Receiver, announced that he had paid the running expenses of the road for the past year, paid interest on a debt of \$1,000,000, which takes precedence of any bonds, and had \$35,000 left. He was also in debt about \$300,000 for steel rails laid last year, for which he was pressed, and would require more rails this year if the road is to run, which would cost \$350,000, if they were of steel, and \$250,000 if of iron. No proposal being made, the meeting adjourned.

**Erie Railway.**—Messrs. Miller and Fleming, the Erie Bondholders' Committee, had expected to finish their negotiations with the stockholders and directors and leave this city on March 21. The negotiations have been delayed by the pending arrangements for the laying of the third rail, and thus narrowing the gauge to the standard. The Lackawanna Iron and Coal Company and the Cambria Iron Company have consented to furnish a third steel rail for the Erie Railway from Waverly east to Jersey City. This will complete the narrowing of the gauge over the entire road from Buffalo and Suspension Bridge to Jersey City, the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company having already agreed to furnish the third steel rail from Waverly west to Buffalo. The Delaware & Hudson Canal and the Delaware Lackawanna & Western Railroad companies are to appropriate, by agreement with the Erie, one twenty-fourth part of their transportation earnings each month for two years, to pay for the cost of the third rail from Waverly east to Jersey City.

—An inventory of the real and personal property of the Erie Railway Company, as it stood on May 26, 1875, is nearly completed. The entire value of the property, which will be included in this document, in round numbers, is \$100,000,000.

—ALBANY, March 16.—The bill facilitating the reorganization of railroads sold under mortgage came up in the Senate this morning on a third reading. Mr. Rogers, who has charge of the bill, said that it was simply an amendment to the general law of 1874, making it applicable to the present state of the railroad. There was nothing in the bill which contravenes public policy; it had been advocated before the committee by Dorman B. Eaton on behalf of the Erie Railroad. The bill passed the Senate with nine votes against it.

**Indianapolis Bloomington & Western.**—Another plan of reorganization has been presented by a committee, of which Mr. Sumner R. Stone is chairman, which is not widely different from that previously pending, except that it is more favorable to the Western-extension bondholders.

**New Orleans St. Louis & Chicago.**—In the United States Circuit Court at New Orleans, March 10, application was made for the appointment of a receiver for this company by counsel for the income bondholders and by counsel for the Illinois Central, which holds nearly \$5,000,000 of bonds issued under a special mortgage, in exchange for its own bonds, upon which the money for the completion of the Cairo Extension was raised. The Court denied a motion to put the trustees under the Illinois Central mortgage in possession, and then proceeded to grant the application for a receiver. With the consent of all parties, Mr. Junius B. Alexander, of New York, was appointed. The Court authorized him to settle all bills for wages and supplies incurred within three months past.

Concurrent suits have also been brought in the United States Circuit Court for Mississippi and in that for West Tennessee, for foreclosure of the mortgage of May 1, 1872, under which the \$5,419,000 bonds issued to the Illinois Central were secured. The plaintiffs in all these suits are the Illinois Central Co., and John Newell and J. B. Alexander, surviving trustees under the mortgage.

**Pacific Mail.**—The *Tribune* money article, under date of March 13th, gives the following as facts in regard to the issue of bonds: "What the company really has done, as we learn from good authority, is that to-day it executed to Messrs. S. V. White and B. F. Ham, trustees, a bill of sale (that was duly recorded to-day at the Custom House in this city) of the following ten steamers, to wit: City of Peking, City of Tokio, City of San Francisco, City of Sydney, City of New York, City of Panama, Colon, Acapulco, Grenada and Colima, to secure the company's bond given to said trustees for \$4,000,000. The indenture provides that the bond shall be surrendered when the company shall have duly signed, executed and delivered ten thousand registered or coupon bonds for \$1,000 each, or two millions of dollars—such bonds having ten years to run, with interest at 7 per cent per annum, payable on the 13th of March and 13th of September in each year. It further provides for the application of a sinking fund, by requiring the company to pay to the trustees, on the 13th of March each year, \$200,000 in cash, which the trustees are to invest by buying in the open market the bonds of the company, if at less than par, or if not to draw 200 (\$200,000) bonds by lot. It also provides that the company shall keep the steamers in perfect order at all times, and in default of which, or of the payment of interest or the providing for the sinking fund for the

space of ninety days, the whole debt shall be deemed due; and then it becomes the duty of the trustees to immediately proceed to sell the property for the benefit of the bondholders."

**St. Paul & Pacific—First Division.**—Notice is given by the trustees in New York in reference to the agreement of August, 1875, with bondholders, that "the aggregate amount of the outstanding bonds of the various issues named is about \$11,500,000, of which more than \$9,000,000 have already been deposited in pursuance of said agreement; and all holders of any of said bonds who desire to participate in the advantages of said agreement are required to deposit their bonds, and the past due coupons thereon, as above provided, within thirty days from March 9, 1876."

**Southern Pacific Railroad (of California).**—The Committee of the Stock Exchange has placed on the "Free List" the bonds of this company. The official statement contained the following: The Company was originally organized December 2d, 1865, under the general railroad law of California, passed May 30, 1861, and its amendments. Its present organization was effected December 18, 1874, and is the result of several successive consolidations.

The authorized capital stock is .....	\$90,000,000
Capital stock subscribed is .....	23,770,300
Capital stock paid in .....	22,412,300
The bonded debt of the company will be when all are issued. ....	46,000,000
(To be issued in different series.)	
Series A, 13,000 bonds of \$1,000 each, numbers 1 to 13,000 .....	13,000,000
" " 4,000 " 500 " " " 13,001 to 17,000 .....	2,000,000
Series B, 5,000 bonds of \$1,000 each, numbers 17,001 to 22,000 .....	\$15,000,000
" C, 5,000 " 1,000 " " " 22,001 to 27,000 .....	5,000,000
" D, 5,000 " 1,000 " " " 27,001 to 32,000 .....	5,000,000
" E, 5,000 " 1,000 " " " 32,001 to 37,000 .....	5,000,000
" F, 5,000 " 1,000 " " " 37,001 to 42,000 .....	5,000,000
" G, 5,000 " 1,000 " " " 42,001 to 47,000 .....	5,000,000
48,000 .....	\$46,000,000

Series A bear date April 1st, 1875, principal payable April 1st, 1905, in gold coin. Interest six per cent, payable April 1st, and October 1st, in gold coin, in the City of New York. (Until further notice to the New York Stock Exchange, only series "A" will be issued). Amount .....

The several succeeding series are to bear date as the Board of Directors may direct, and be payable thirty years from their respective dates. The payment of the bonds is secured by a mortgage of the Company to D. O. Mills and Lloyd Tevis, dated April 1st, 1875, upon the following portions of its main line and branches, viz.: From San Francisco, by way of Canardero Junction, Salinas Valley and Polesio Pass, to the Colorado River, at or near the Needles; from Los Gatos to Poso Junction; from Canardero Junction to San Benito; from Tehachapi Junction to Fort Yuma and from Los Angeles to Wilmington, to the extent of 1,150 miles, of which upwards of 395 miles are completed; and also upon the lands granted to the Company by Congress.

The floating debt of the Company is \$414,643 07. Subsidies.—By certain acts of the Congress of the United States approved July 27th, 1866, and March 3d, 1871, there were granted to the Company a right of way two hundred feet in width over the public domain, and also 12,800 acres of public and a mile for 994 miles of the road.

The State of California granted to the Company thirty acres of land at Mission Bay in the City of San Francisco, for a terminus. These grants are very valuable.

The Counties of San Francisco, Santa Clara, and San Mateo, and the City and County of Los Angeles contributed to the building of the road an aggregate of \$1,002,000.

**Texas State Finances.**—Hon. Stephen H. Darden, State

Comptroller, has rendered a supplemental report covering the five months from Aug. 31, 1875, to Feb. 1, 1876. He says that the assessed valuations, being \$250,853,759, fall short of his estimate of \$275,000,000, owing to the large amount of land not assessed.

SUMMARY OF VALUATIONS.	
59,306,618 acres of land, valued at .....	\$107,641,691
Town lots, valued at .....	44,668,935
833,333 horses .....	20,793,280
3,183,904 cattle .....	14,754,045
2,601,071 sheep, jacks, jennies, hogs and goats, valued at .....	3,348,469
Money on hand, or at interest .....	9,227,485
Merchandise .....	11,942,662
Miscellaneous property .....	20,245,360
1,487,041 miles railroads and appurtenances, valued at .....	18,608,122
7,331,322 acres of land and town lots rendered by R. R. Co.'s .....	1,448,541
Amount of property rendered by telegraph companies .....	134,323

Total value of property in the State .....	\$250,853,759
Acres of land and land certificates taxable .....	\$105,441,631
Total acres of land rendered .....	66,637,980

Acres of land not assessed .....	\$38,803,711
Ad valorem tax at 50c .....	\$1,354,354 08
Pool tax at \$1 .....	198,322 00
County tax .....	1,909,194 14

Total tax .....

As to the debt he observes that there is now outstanding \$1,573,757 ten per cent bonds, which are redeemable at the pleasure of the State—a part after 1877 and the remainder after 1880. It would be well for the State as these bonds are redeemable, to authorize the sale of six per cent gold bonds, at not less than par, and retire the ten per cent bonds, thus saving four per cent interest. Warrants drawn against the school fund for pay of teachers prior to July, 1873, amount to \$331,493 28, which are drawing eight per cent interest. The Constitution provides that the Legislature, at its first session, shall either pay or fund them, as they deem best. I suggest that they be funded in long date six per cent gold bonds of the denomination of \$500 and \$1,000. Having a large interest to pay on the bonded debt, in addition to the current expenses of the Government, and the protection of the frontier, the present low rate of taxation may not be sufficient to meet all demands promptly, and some deficiency may occur. To guard against this, and to prevent the consequent depreciation of Treasury Warrants, I recommend that 6 per cent gold bonds of the denomination of \$500 and \$1,000 be authorized—not to exceed \$200,000—which may be sold at not less than par, or exchanged for Treasury Warrants, to meet such deficiency should it occur.

—Messrs Foster, Ludlow & Co., Bankers and dealers in Texas securities, at 7 Wall street, furnish a complete exhibit of the State bonds and floating debt outstanding, from which our tables of Texas State bonds in the "Investors' Supplement" will be revised next week.

## The Commercial Times.

## COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

FRIDAY NIGHT, March 17, 1876.

Trade circles received something of a shock on Tuesday, from the failure of the Bank of the State of New York. It was reported, and widely credited, that the institution was largely involved in speculations in leading staples, and that some forced sales would probably become necessary. But such did not prove to be the fact, and the speculative markets quickly recovered. Regular trade has, however, continued dull, and it now seems to be conceded on all sides that the spring business will not prove satisfactory but a great disappointment. The proper committee has agreed to urge the new tariff upon Congress, but its passage is not now hardly looked for.

The speculation in pork has been more active the past few days, and prices are higher; mess sold on the spot to day at \$23, and the closing bids for future delivery were at \$22 85 for April, \$23 15 for May, \$23 20 for June and \$23 25 for July. Lard has also been excited and buoyant. Very large sales were made on Wednesday at \$18 60 per 100 lbs. for prime Western steam, spot and March delivery, and there was an advance to day to \$18 75, spot and April, \$18 90 for May, \$14 02½ for June, and \$14 12½ for July. Bacon and cut meats have been fairly active at very full prices. Beef and beef hams are without essential change. Butter has been rather improving for the better grades, and cheese has ruled quiet at 12@14c. for good to choice factories. Tallow has been moderately salable at about 9c. for prime. Stearine is firmer at 14½@14c. for prime Western. The Cincinnati Price Current reports that, from incomplete returns, the number of hogs packed from November 1, 1875, to March 1, 1876, in the Western States is 4,865,000; net weight per hog, 217 97-100 lbs., against 209 77-100 lbs. in 1874-75; increase, 8 1-5 lbs.; yield of lard per hog, 35 53-100 lbs., against 34 20-100 lbs., in 1874-75; increase, 1 1-3 lbs. Assuming that the returns as above are approximately complete, the result as compared with 1874-75 will be about as follows:

Season—	Hogs packed, number.	Net weight, lbs.	Yield of lard, lbs.
1874-75.....	5,566,226	1,167,639,457	190,880,607
1875-76.....	4,865,000	1,060,424,005	172,853,450
Decrease.....	701,226	107,215,452	17,438,157

The foreign export from November 1, 1875, to March 11, 1876, was 33,087,454 lbs. more meats and 19,686,600 lbs. less lard than for the corresponding period in 1874-75.

Rio coffee has been more active, but closes quiet; fair to prime cargoes at 16½c.@18c., gold. Stocks at this point are reduced to 180,000 bags, and the visible supply for the United States is 281,000 bags. Mild grades have been slow; Java quoted at 22c.@25c., and Maracaibo, 16c.@18½c., gold, with stocks 150,000 mats Java, and 38,000 bags and mats of other growths. Rice has been quiet. Teas have been dull, and the auction sales have revealed slightly lower prices. Foreign dried fruits quiet, except prunes, which have sold freely at higher prices. Turkish, 5½c.@5½c. Molasses is in excessive stock and dull, with lower prices necessary to effect sales. Sugars have been more freely offered and are lower at 7½c.@7½c. for fair to prime refining, and 10½c. for standard crush ed.

	Hhds.	Boxes.	Bags.	Melado.
Receipts past week.....	6,141	5,495	60,036	1,389
Sales past week.....	9,186	4,210	5,787	160
Stock March 16, 1876.....	23,307	13,480	159,412	2,069
Stock March 18, 1875.....	46,719	36,159	145,486	2,741

The market for hides has continued dull and, with increased stocks, prices have ruled lower; dry Montevideo sold at 20c. gold, four months, dry Matamoros at 18c. gold, sixty days, Rio Grande kips at 15½c. cash, less 4 per cent, and city slaughter ox 8½c. currency. Lined oil in fair jobbing demand and steady at 59@60c. Crude sperm has been in good demand, with sales at New Bedford of 1,000 bbls. for export, on private terms; quoted here at \$1 55. Whiskey closed dull and unsettled at \$1 09@1 10, tax paid. Clover seed has been excited, and advanced to 16@17c. per lb.

There has been a fair demand for Kentucky tobacco, and quotations are steady at 54@60c. for lugs and 8@14c. for leaf; the sales for week embraced 500 hhds., of which 400 were for export and 100 were for consumption. Seed leaf has been in moderate request and unchanged; the sales embrace: Crop of 1873, 150 cases Ohio, at 8½c., 15 cases Wisconsin on private terms; crop of 1874, 232 cases New England, at 5½@8c., 50 cases Pennsylvania, on private terms; and crop of 1873 and 1875, 42 cases Ohio, on private terms; also 200 cases sundry kinds, at 7@90c. Spanish tobacco has remained steady, with sales 400 bales Havana, at 88c.@1 15; 25 bales Yara at 80c.@1 12½ for I. and II. cut.

There has been a pretty fair business in ocean freights, principally in berth room, though vessels adapted to the grain and petroleum interests have latterly met with more attention; all rates can be considered firm. Late engagements and charters included: Grain to Liverpool, by steam, 7½d. per 60 lbs.; provisions, 30@35s. per ton; sugar, 30s.; flour, 3s.; cotton, 1d.; grain to London, by sail, 8d.; flour, 2s. 6d.; hops, by steam, 1d.; provisions, 40s. per ton; grain to Hull, by steam, 8½d.; sugar, 30s.; grain to Bremen, by steam, 8½d.; lard, 37s. 6d. per ton; grain to Cork for orders, 6s. 9d.; do. to Lisbon, 16c.; refined petroleum to Alicante, 5s.; do. in cases to Gibraltar for orders, 25c.; do. in bbls. from Philadelphia and Baltimore to Bremen or Antwerp, 4s. 1½d.@4s. 8d. To-day, there was a firmer and fairly active market; the supplies of room are not large, while the demands from the grain trade show a marked improvement. Grain to Liverpool, by steam, 7½@7½d.; cotton, 1d.; grain to London, by steam, 9d.; oil cake, by sail, 2s. 9d. per bbl. and 22s. 6d. per ton; sugar to Glasgow, by steam, 30s.; cotton to Bremen, by sail, 11-11½d.; grain to Cork for orders, 6s. 9d.; do. to east coast of Ireland, at 6s. 6d.

## COTTON.

FRIDAY, P. M., March 17, 1876.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE CROP, as indicated by our telegrams from the South to-night, is given below. For the week ending this evening (March 17) the total receipts have reached 65,441 bales, against 78,380 bales last week, 86,215 bales the previous week, and 109,676 bales three weeks since, making the total receipts since the 1st of September, 1875, 3,634,831 bales, against 3,107,014 bales for the same period of 1874-5, showing an increase since Sept. 1, 1875, of 527,817 bales. The details of the receipts for this week (as per telegraph) and for the corresponding weeks of five previous years are as follows:

Receipts this week at—	1876.	1875.	1874.	1873.	1872.	1871.
New Orleans.....	30,515	15,569	22,537	35,249	30,723	46,600
Mobile.....	5,723	3,069	4,239	5,169	3,367	6,945
Charleston.....	3,263	4,980	5,896	.....	.....	.....
Port Royal, &c., estim'd.	800	.....	.....	5,251	3,097	6,070
Savannah.....	2,549	4,358	9,531	7,917	6,316	10,173
Galveston.....	6,146	5,368	5,533	.....	.....	.....
Indianola, &c.....	901	237	397	6,357	4,189	10,138
Tennessee, &c.....	9,072	9,978	8,734	4,593	6,454	12,288
Florida.....	101	47	344	96	498	337
North Carolina.....	1,315	2,092	898	797	707	1,007
Norfolk.....	5,750	5,414	9,575	8,445	4,453	.....
City Point, &c.....	306	321	306	321	306	8,936
Total this week.....	65,441	51,303	67,905	74,195	49,973	102,484
Total since Sept. 1.....	3,634,831	3,107,014	3,295,480	2,954,873	3,342,613	3,153,517

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 81,159 bales, of which 43,770 were to Great Britain, 10,487 to France, and 26,902 to rest of the Continent, while the stocks as made up this evening are now 694,795 bales. Below are the stocks and exports for the week, and also for the corresponding week of last season:

Week ending March 17.	Exported to			Total this week.	Same week 1875.	Stock.	
	Great Britain.	France.	Continent.			1876.	1875.
New Orleans.....	29,527	9,148	17,580	56,335	31,236	399,448	323,336
Mobile.....	.....	1,339	5,336	6,675	5,010	49,960	45,340
Charleston.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,433	28,065	29,384
Savannah.....	6,503	.....	2,080	8,583	16,866	33,031	59,713
Galveston.....	1,078	.....	.....	1,078	6,165	48,876	61,978
New York.....	3,215	.....	1,986	5,201	9,284	177,196	191,871
Norfolk.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	730	15,169	8,647
Other ports.....	3,448	.....	.....	3,448	4,698	44,000	59,333
Total this week.....	43,770	10,487	26,902	81,159	128,419	694,795	689,002
Total since Sept. 1.....	1,522,807	321,343	589,454	2,433,604	1,983,099	.....	.....

\* New Orleans.—Our telegram to-night from New Orleans shows that (besides above exports) the amount of cotton on shipboard and engaged for shipment at that port is as follows: For Liverpool, 78,000 bales; for Havre, 28,000 bales; for Continent, 24,000 bales; for coastwise ports, 2,000 bales; which, if deducted from the stock, would leave 169,500 bales representing the quantity at the landing and in presses unsold or awaiting orders.

† Galveston.—Our Galveston telegram shows (besides above exports) on shipboard at that port, not cleared: For Liverpool, 6,341 bales; for other foreign, 6,945 bales; for coastwise ports, 1,337 bales; which, if deducted from the stock, would leave 20,533 bales.

‡ The exports this week under the head of "other ports" include from Baltimore 738 bales and 192 bags Sea Island to Liverpool; from Boston 1,625 bales to Liverpool; from Philadelphia 860 bales to Liverpool.

From the foregoing statement it will be seen that, compared with the corresponding week of last season, there is an increase in the exports this week of 2,747 bales, while the stocks to-night are 5,793 bales more than they were at this time a year ago. The following is our usual table showing the movement of cotton at all the ports from Sept. 1 to March 10, the latest mail dates:

PORTS.	RECEIPTS SINCE SEPT. 1.		EXPORTED SINCE SEPT. 1 TO—				Coastwise Ports.	Stock.
	1875.	1874.	Great Britain.	France.	Other fore'n.	Total.		
N. Orleans.....	1,187,011	886,594	484,840	210,895	306,300	901,835	138,503	328,413
Mobile.....	332,756	300,474	112,704	19,347	47,969	179,347	101,540	53,092
Charleston.....	375,661	400,512	121,455	47,186	70,160	238,751	95,895	26,078
Savannah.....	481,018	551,161	150,339	26,035	146,901	333,274	125,428	41,315
Galveston.....	424,788	319,556	167,837	4,111	26,694	198,649	186,637	46,145
New York.....	162,503	100,973	261,629	1,915	50,826	316,498	.....	175,534
Florida.....	11,498	11,908	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,498	.....
N. Carolina.....	87,646	86,638	22,352	.....	2,301	24,653	66,017	2,394
Norfolk.....	425,096	343,899	22,461	1,817	.....	94,378	314,194	18,363
Other ports.....	81,426	54,455	63,358	.....	12,014	75,372	.....	39,600
Tot. this yr. ....	3,569,390	.....	1,479,037	310,756	561,552	2,352,345	1,140,709	731,363
Tot. last yr. ....	.....	3,055,711	1,330,367	237,488	346,384	1,904,687	1,032,698	736,553

\* Under the head of Charleston is included Port Royal, &c.; under the head of Galveston is included Indianola, &c.; under the head of Norfolk is included City Point, &c.

These mail returns do not correspond precisely with the total of the telegraphic figures, because in preparing them it is always necessary to incorporate every correction made at the ports.





torily. Rainfall this week has been one inch and twenty-two hundredths, and the thermometer has averaged 62, the highest being 79 and the lowest 42.

**Corvican, Texas.**—There has been rain (sprinkles) on two days. The weather is too cold. We have had frost on two nights, but no serious damage was done beyond partially injuring the fruit. Satisfactory progress is being made in cotton planting. The rainfall has reached three hundredths of an inch, and the thermometer has averaged 56, the highest being 81 and the lowest 30.

**Dallas, Texas.**—It has been showery on two days this week. We have had frosts, but the damage done was unimportant. Cotton planting is now making good progress. The rainfall has been twelve hundredths of an inch, and the thermometer has averaged 62, the highest being 82, and the lowest 32.

**New Orleans, Louisiana.**—It has rained two days this week, the rainfall reaching one inch and forty-five hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 61.

**Shreveport, Louisiana.**—There was a severe rain and hail storm here on Saturday last, and rain on Tuesday and Wednesday, the rainfall reaching three and sixty-eight hundredths inches. Average thermometer, 55; highest, 78, and lowest, 35. Bad roads interfere with receipts.

**Vicksburg, Mississippi.**—We are having too much rain. There have been three rainy days this week, the rainfall reaching four and forty-four hundredths inches. The thermometer has averaged 57, the highest being 80, and the lowest 35.

**Columbus, Mississippi.**—The rainfall at this place during the week has been forty-seven hundredths of an inch, and the thermometer has averaged 58, the extremes being 49 and 68.

**Little Rock, Arkansas.**—There have been but three clear days this week; consequently, farmers have had little opportunity for crop preparations. The rainfall has reached two inches and seventy-two hundredths. The thermometer has averaged 50, the highest being 76 and the lowest 26.

**Nashville, Tennessee.**—We have had three rainy days during the week, the rainfall reaching two inches and thirty-eight hundredths; average thermometer 54; range, 43 to 64.

**Memphis, Tennessee.**—There have been four rainy days here during the week, the rainfall reaching three and eighty-three hundredths inches. The thermometer has ranged from 45 to 60, averaging 51.

**Mobile, Alabama.**—It was showery one day this week, and it rained constantly one day, but the remaining portion of the week has been pleasant. Total rainfall for the week one inch and eleven hundredths. Average thermometer 61, highest 76, lowest 38.

**Montgomery, Alabama.**—Three days this week were stormy, the rainfall reaching a total of two and seventy-five hundredths inches. The thermometer has averaged 59, the extremes being 34 and 77.

**Selma, Alabama.**—It rained heavily one day this week, the rainfall reaching three inches and fifteen hundredths, but the rest of the week has been pleasant, the thermometer averaging 58.

**Madison, Florida.**—Rain fell on one day during the week, the rainfall reaching ninety-four hundredths of an inch. The thermometer has ranged from 74 to 82, averaging 63.

**Macon, Georgia.**—Telegram not received.

**Atlanta, Georgia.**—It rained constantly one day, the rainfall reaching two inches. The rest of the week has been pleasant. The thermometer has averaged 60, the highest being 75, and the lowest 34.

**Columbus, Georgia.**—There have been three rainy days this week, the rainfall reaching one inch and fifty-five hundredths. We have had a frost this week, but not a killing frost. The thermometer has averaged 57, the highest being 78, and the lowest 35.

**Savannah, Georgia.**—It has rained two days this week, the rainfall reaching forty-six hundredths of an inch. The weather the rest of the week has been pleasant. The thermometer has averaged 59, the highest being 76, and the lowest 42.

**Augusta, Georgia.**—We had a heavy rain one day this week, but the rest was pleasant. The rainfall reached a total of forty-four hundredths of an inch. The thermometer has averaged 67, the highest being 81 and the lowest 41.

**Charleston, South Carolina.**—There has been one rainy day here this week, the rainfall reaching twenty-three hundredths of an inch. The thermometer has averaged 45, the extremes being 31 and 76.

The following statement we have also received by telegraph showing the height of the rivers at the points named at 3 o'clock March 16. We give last year's figures (March 19, 1875) for comparison.

	Mch. 16, '76		Mch. 19, '75	
	Feet.	Inch.	Feet.	Inch.
New Orleans, Below high-water mark.....	3	6	5	9
Memphis, Above low-water mark.....	22	6	22	6
Nashville, Above low-water mark.....	13	0	Missing.	
Shreveport, Above low-water mark.....	16	6	Missing.	
Vicksburg, Above low-water mark.....	39	6	39	0

New Orleans reported below high-water mark of 1871 until Sept. 9, 1874, when the zero of gauge was changed to high-water mark of April 15 and 16, 1874, which is 6-10ths of a foot above 1871, or 16 feet above low-water mark at that point.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR COTTON PLANTERS.**—An article on this subject in our editorial columns may be found of some interest to our readers.

**LIVERPOOL, March 17.**—3:30 P. M.—By CABLE FROM LIVERPOOL.—Estimated sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for export and speculation. Of to-day's sales 8,000 bales were American. The weekly movement is given as follows:

	Feb. 25.	M'ch 3.	M'ch 10.	M'ch 17.
Sales of the week.....bales.	32,000	32,000	32,000	31,000
Forwarded.....	18,000	17,000	17,000	11,000
Sales American.....	33,000	35,000	55,000	54,000
of which exporters took.....	7,000	6,000	8,000	8,000
of which speculators took.....	4,000	6,000	11,000	18,000
Total stock.....	838,000	839,000	819,000	802,000
of which American.....	479,000	484,000	480,000	461,000
Total import of the week.....	60,000	84,000	80,000	38,000
of which American.....	48,000	68,000	60,000	28,000
Actual export.....	6,000	6,000	6,000	8,000
Amount afloat.....	387,000	388,000	383,000	442,000
of which American.....	278,000	293,000	280,000	321,000

The following table will show the daily closing prices of cotton for the week

Spot.	Satur.	Mon.	Tues.	Wednes.	Thurs.	Fri.
Mid. Up'da. ....	6 5-16	6 7-16	6 7-16	6 7-16	6 7-16	6 7-16
do Ori'na. ....	6 6 1/2	6 6 1/2	6 6 1/2	6 6 1/2	6 6 1/2	6 6 1/2

**Futures.**

**SATURDAY.**—Arrivals firm.

February shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 5-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

Cotton to arrive 1-16 dearer.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 9-32d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2@7-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4@7-16d.

March-April shipment, New Orleans, by sail, 6 1/2d.

Cotton to arrive strong, with upward tendency.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 5-16d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

**MONDAY.**—Low middling, afloat, 6 1/2d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 9-16@7-16d.

Cotton to arrive strong, with 3-32 advance.

Feb.-March shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2@9-16d.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

March-April shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

Cottons to arrive weaker, sellers offering at 1-16 decline.

Feb.-March shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2@15-32d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4@7-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

**TUESDAY.**—Cotton to arrive firmer, and almost equalling yesterday's highest.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2@9-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 9-16d.

March-April shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4@9-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

**WEDNESDAY.**—Cottons to arrive 1-16 cheaper than yesterday's highest.

March-April shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 9-16d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 9-16d.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

March-April shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

Cotton to arrive steadier.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

**THURSDAY.**—Cotton to arrive 1-32 cheaper.

February shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

March-April delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

Feb.-March shipment from New Orleans, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

Cottons to arrive quiet.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 7-16d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4@9-16d.

**FRIDAY.**—Cotton to arrive weak.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.; also sale of same at 9-16d.

April-May delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4@7-16d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

Oct.-Nov. shipment, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, by sail, new crop, 6 1/2d.

Arrivals weak.

March delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2d.

May-June delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

June-July delivery, Uplands, Low Mid. clause, 6 1/2-3/4d.

**THE EXPORTS OF COTTON FROM NEW YORK, this week, show an increase, as compared with last week, the total reaching 5,301 bales, against 4,048 bales last week. Below we give our usual table showing the exports of cotton from New York, and their direction, for each of the last four weeks; also the total exports and direction since Sept. 1, 1875; and in the last column the total for the same period of the previous year.**

**Exports of Cotton (bales) from New York since Sept. 1, 1875**

EXPORTED TO	WEEK ENDING				Total to date.	Same period prev'us year.
	Feb. 23.	March 1.	March 8.	March 15.		
Liverpool.....	8,067	6,157	3,125	3,155	265,363	229,399
Other British Ports.....	.....	40	.....	60	1,644	.....
<b>Total to Gt. Britain</b> .....	<b>8,067</b>	<b>6,297</b>	<b>3,125</b>	<b>3,215</b>	<b>266,907</b>	<b>229,399</b>
Havre.....	150	.....	.....	.....	1,915	4,507
Other French ports.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<b>Total French</b> .....	<b>150</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>1,915</b>	<b>4,507</b>
Bremen and Hanover.....	.....	500	153	75	90,387	14,645
Hamburg.....	.....	50	.....	.....	8,374	15,913
Other ports.....	373	8,308	790	1,911	23,790	2,132
<b>Total to N. Europe.</b> .....	<b>373</b>	<b>8,858</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>52,451</b>	<b>32,710</b>
Spain, Oporto & Gibraltar &c.....	12	.....	.....	.....	12	10
All others.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	409	50
<b>Total Spain, &amp;c.....</b> .....	<b>12</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Grand Total.....</b> .....	<b>8,222</b>	<b>15,085</b>	<b>4,048</b>	<b>5,201</b>	<b>321,694</b>	<b>226,606</b>



The following are the receipts of cotton at New York, Boston Philadelphia and Baltimore for the last week, and since Sept. 1, '75.

SEAS' TS FROM-	NEW YORK.		BOSTON.		PHILADELPHIA		BALTIMORE.	
	This week.	Since Sept. 1.	This week.	Since Sept.1.	This week.	Since Sept.1.	This week.	Since Sept.1
New Orleans..	4,072	108,911	....	10,851	....	423	..	...
Texas .....	1,487	57,653	....	5,271	....	...	..	...
Savannah...	1,520	74,024	1,469	20,500	308	13,425	1,071	13,393
Mobile .....	....	1,960	711	2,308	....	...	..	...
Florida.....	54	7,008	....	....	....	...	..	...
5th Carolina	1,838	79,397	447	1,663	....	...	106	9,128
Nth Carolina.	645	42,508	....	....	....	...	288	19,036
Virginia.....	1,797	160,834	1,444	49,397	....	...	648	49,641
North'n Ports	366	7,819	1,203	66,563	....	...	....	85
Tennessee, &c	5,810	168,313	1,787	38,650	1,063	26,117	412	4,921
Foreign.....	130	2,178	....	4	....	...	..	...
Total this year	17,719	705,515	7,000	303,561	1,366	39,964	2,522	96,150
Total last year.	16,546	629,095	7,550	312,324	1,989	48,346	1,899	97,952

**BOMBAY SHIPMENTS.**—According to our cable despatch received to-day, there have been 20,000 bales shipped from Bombay to Great Britain the past week, and 11,000 bales to the Continent; while the receipts at Bombay during this week have been 35,000 bales. The movement since the 1st of January is as follows. These are the figures of W. Nicol & Co., of Bombay, and are brought down to Thursday, March 16:

	Shipments this week			Shipments since Jan. 1			Receipts	
	Great Britain.	Con- tinent.	Total.	Great Britain.	Con- tinent.	Total.	This week.	Since Jan. 1.
1876.....	20,000	11,000	31,000	102,000	78,000	178,000	36,000	251,000
1875.....	8,000	10,000	18,000	216,000	118,000	334,000	59,000	475,000
1874.....	23,000	27,000	50,000	173,000	98,000	271,000	54,000	388,000

From the foregoing it would appear that, compared with last year, there is an *increase* of 13,000 bales this year in the week's shipments from Bombay to Europe, and that the total movement since January 1 shows a *decrease* in shipments of 114,000 bales compared with the corresponding period of 1875.

**SHIPPING NEWS.**—The exports of cotton from the United States the past week, as per *latest mail* returns, have reached 106,381 bales. So far as the Southern ports are concerned, these are the same exports reported by telegraph, and published in **THE CHRONICLE** last Friday. With regard to New York, we include the manifests of all vessels cleared up to Wednesday night of this week.

Port of origin	Total bales.
NEW YORK—To Liverpool, per steamers Parthia, 34, ... City of Brooklyn, 4, ... Germania, 1,388, ... Holvretia, 374, ... per ship Queen of the East, 339, ...	8,158
To Hull, per steamer Hindoo, 60, ...	60
To Bremen, per steamer America, 75, ...	75
To Cronstadt, per bark Abigail, 1,911, ...	1,911
NEW ORLEANS—To Liverpool, per steamer Memphis, 3,300, ... per ships Sally, 4,060, ... brig Leopold, 4,275, ... John Mann, 3,509, ... India, 4,144, ... Bolivia, 3,904, ... bark Paton, 1,916, ... Monterey, 3,406, ... Marie Auguste, 1,633, ... Truce, 962, ...	30,136
To Havre, per ships Louise et Rose, 3,386, ... Bavelaw, 3,281, ... per barks Rhone, 2,462, ... Marie, 2,564, ... per schooner Anna R. Kranz, 2, 87, ...	13,881
To Rone, per bark President Daal, 1,251, ...	1,251
To Manchester, per brig Terentia, 329, ...	329
To Bremen, per steamer Hannover, 3,634, ... per barks Quelle, 1,600, ...	1,600
Amsterdam, 1,341, ... Reform, 1,379, ...	7,353
To Amsterdam, per barks Melbourne, 2,036, ... Amity, 1,640, ... Brage, 1,390, ...	5,066
To Riga, per bark Racer, 2,460, ...	2,460
To Reval, per bark Dux, 1,560, ...	1,560
To Barcelona, per bark Teritia, 380, ...	1,338
To Alicante, per bark Galathæa, 600, ...	600
To Genoa, per bark Reunion, 942, ...	942
To Vera Cruz, per steamer City of Merida, 1,342, ...	1,342
MOBILE—To Liverpool, per ships Mary Fraser, 3,898, ... Andrew Johnson, 6,237, ...	10,135
To Cronstadt, per bark Bratsko, 1,150, ...	1,150
CHARLESTON—To Liverpool, per barks James Peake, 2,077 Upland and 111 Sea Island, ... Liefjeff, 1,981 Upland and 22 Sea Island, ...	4,119
To Barcelona, per brig Andaz, 660 Upland, ... Lorette, 536 Upland, ...	1,201
SAVANNAH—To Reval, per ship George Washington, 4,030 Upland, ...	4,030
TEXAS—To Liverpool, per barks Erna, 1,750, ... Samson, 991, ... Ophir, ...	2,741
To Bremen, per bark Anna Elise, 1,344, ...	1,344
To Gothenburg, per bark Alamo, 1,860, ...	1,860
To Christina, per bark Catharina 550, ...	550
WILMINGTON—To Liverpool, per bark Ruth Topping, 811, ...	811
NORFOLK—To Liverpool, per ship Reaper, 4,652, ...	4,652
BALTIMORE—To Liverpool, per steamers Lake Nepignon, 298 and 223 and 300, ... Lake, 300, ...	721
To Bremen, per steamer Braunshweig, 191, ... Siberia, 500, ...	691
BOSTON—To Liverpool, per steamers Parana, 407, ...	407
PHILADELPHIA—To Liverpool, per steamer Lord Clive, 938, ...	938

Total.....106,83

The particulars of these shipments, arranged in our usual form, are as follows:

	Liver- pool.	Havre.	Rouen.	Bre-Amster- mon.	Amster. Reval.	Riga.	Gothen burg.	Total
New York.....	1,155			75				5,820
New Orleans.....	30,129	13,881	1,251	7,353	5,066	1,150	2,400	64,668
Mobile.....	10,135							11,811
Charleston.....	4,191							5,405
Savannah.....					4,080			4,082
Texas.....	4,341			1,344			1,860	7,999
Wilmington.....	811							811
Norfolk.....	4,638							4,638
Baltimore.....	791			191				982
Boston.....	907							907
Philadelphia.....	938							938

Total ..... 59,960 13,881 1,251 8,582 5,066 5,170 2,400 1,860 105,831

Included in the above totals are, from New York 60 bales to Hull and 1,912 bales to Cronstadt; from New Orleans 350 bales to Marseilles, 330 to Barcelona, 600 to Alicante, 943 to Genoa and 1,212 to Vera Cruz; from Mobile 1,180 bales to Cronstadt; from Charleston 1,216 bales to Barcelona; from Texas 550 bales to Christians.

Below we give all news received to date of disasters, &c., to vessels carrying cotton from United States ports :

**CITY OF LINCOLN**, str. (Br.), from Philadelphia at Liverpool struck the pier head, morning of 28th ult.; damage, if any, not known.

**SEA GULL**, str. (Chlds), from Charleston, 11th, for Baltimore, was towed back to C., 12th, having lost propeller.

LA LOUISIANNE, ship (Fr.). Touffet, at Havre from New Orleans, reports that on morning of Jan. 31 it was found that the vessel's cutwater was carried away, and it was supposed that she must have struck against a wreck. From this time she made water, and the pumps had to be attended to frequently. On the 31th, during a gale, she was thrown on her beam ends, and had to cut away foretopmast. The gale caused the vessel to make more water.

**MAJESTIC**, ship, Gibbons (owned by Thayer & Lincoln, of Boston, and her commander) at New Orleans, with 3,500 bales cotton on board for Liverpool, was struck by lightning and set on fire at 3 A. M. March 13. The vessel and cargo were considerably damaged by fire and water, the latter to the extent of \$50,000, the former \$3,500.

**QUEEN OF THE EAST**, ship (Br.), in leaving New York for Liverpool, grounded on Diamond Reef, A. M. March 14th; came off, proceeded and cleared the bar, Sandy Hook, at 11:30 A. M. same day.

**SUCCESS**, ship, from New Orleans for Havre, which put back to New Orleans, Feb. 8, damaged by collision, repaired, and resumed her voyage March 12.

ENTERPRISE II, bark (Dutch), from New Orleans for Havre, stranded on the Colorado Reef, had discharged, Jan. 24, 750 bales cotton.

J. B. DUFFUS, bark (Br.), Shaw, from New Orleans, Feb. 23, for Havre, was partially dismantled March 5, and put back to the Southwest Pass on the 13th.

**JOHN GEDDIE**—There in the bark John Geddie (Br.), at Charleston for Havre, before reported, broke out about 3 P. M. March 4, and it spread with great rapidity and soon extended quite across the bark in the vicinity of the mainmast, and the smoke came from the hold in dense volumes, threatening the destruction of the vessel and cargo. The timely arrival of the Fire Department and the forcing of a large body of water into the hold checked the rapid progress of the flames, which, with the prompt action of the captain in scuttling the vessel, brought the fire to a conclusion about 7 P. M. A steam fire engine was kept by the bark during the night, and at the 5th the machinery was machined in the pumping out of the water. The cotton will be all more or less damaged by salt water, but the amount of injury from the fire is as yet uncertain, the mainmast being badly charred, and perhaps other portions of the interior of the hold will be found to be more or less burnt. Their insurance in Charleston is \$23,500, gold, on cotton, and \$500 on the freight. The estimated value of the vessel and cargo is about as follows: Cargo, \$140,000; vessel, \$25,000; freight, 21,800; total value, about \$174,000. About 500 bales cotton had been discharged on the 9th, probably less than 100 bales showing indications of burning; the rest more or less damaged by salt water. The fire was in the upper tier of cotton, and was entirely in the vicinity of the mainmast, where it has left its effect on the deck beams, deck and mainmast.

MARY LAWTON, bark (Br.), from Savannah, collided off Canada Dock, Liverpool, March 1, with steamer Bavarian, but sustained no damage.

West March 7, was leaking.

ERMINA P., brig (Ital.), Trucco, from New Orleans for Rotterdam, put into

J. M. WISWELL, brig Glover, at New Bedford from New Orleans, broke main

**HARRY L. WHITON**, schr., Rich, from Mobile for Barcelona, which put into Norfolk, Feb. 14, leaky, made the necessary repairs, and sailed March 6, for destination.

Cotton freights the past week have been as follows:

	Liverpool.		Havre.		Bremen.		Hamburg.	
	Steam.	Sail.	Steam.	Sail.	Steam.	Sail.	Steam.	Sail.
	d.	d.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.	c.
Saturday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..
Monday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..
Tuesday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..
Wednesday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..
Thursday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..
Friday...	.. 24	.. 24	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..	1/2 comp.	..

## BREADSTUFFS.

FRIDAY, P. M., March 17, 1876.

The flour market has been more active, and prices have latterly been quite buoyant, especially for desirable lines of shipping extras, common and medium. The depression caused by the bank failure (noted on another page) was quite temporary; and on Wednesday and Thursday shippers had difficulty in filling their orders owing to the scarcity of desirable stock. The better grades were also higher, but the low grades appear to be in full supply. To-day, the market was stronger, with lines of shipping extras salable and not plenty at \$5 10c@\$5 20, and Southern flours held for more money.

The wheat market was somewhat depressed early in the week but recently the demand has been quite active for export. It would appear that weak holders have pretty well sold out and that stocks are now, though large, in strong hands, with disposition to compel the increasing export demand to pay such prices as will at least relieve owners from loss. Other influences have seemed to favor buyers, but prices have been advancing especially for the regular grades. To-day, the market was active and higher, the sales aggregating about 200,000 bushels at \$1 20 to \$1 34 for No. 2 Chicago; \$1 26 to \$1 27 for do. Milwaukee; \$1 36 to \$1 38 for No. 1 Spring, and \$1 35 for white Canada, in bond.

Indian corn has been fairly active for export, and, although prices have fluctuated somewhat from day to day, the change in the past week has been very slight. Such as has taken place has been the narrowing of the range of quotations; thus, new mixed was yesterday 58½¢ to 62½¢, against 58¢ to 63¢ the previous Friday—a demand for qualities suitable for shipment by steamers being the main cause of this. Old Western and new Southern have been quiet. To-day the market was firm, but quiet.

Rye has been quiet, but rather more firmly held. Canada per have sold at 97½c. in bond, which is firmer. Barley and barley malt have sold to a moderate extent at lower prices.

Oats have been quite depressed; prices have declined to 42c for No. 3 and 45c for No. 2, city inspection; but yesterday a better demand sprung up, and there was a recovery of 1c, with choice Milwaukee sold at 48c. To day there was a further advance closing at 43c for No. 3 and 46c for No. 2, city inspection.

The following are closing quotations:

FLOUR.		
No. 1.....	9 bbl.	\$3 30 3 35
Superfine State & West- ern.....	4 15 2	4 60
Extra State, &c.....	5 10 2	5 25
Western Spring Wheat extra.....	5 00 2	5 25
do XX and XX.....	5 35 2	6 75
do winter wheat X and XX.....	5 25 2	6 75
City shipping extra.....	5 35 2	6 00
City trade and family brands.....	6 25 2	8 00
Southern bakers' and fam- ily brands.....	7 00 2	8 75
Southern shipw'g extra.....	5 50 2	6 50
Rye flour, superfine.....	4 75 2	5 00
Corn meal—Western, &c.....	2 65 2	2 90
Corn meal—Brwine, &c.....	3 25 2	3 35

The movement in breadstuffs at this market has been as follows:

RECEIPTS AT NEW YORK.				EXPORTS FROM NEW YORK.			
	1876.	1875.	1874.		1876.	1875.	1874.
For the week.....	Jan. 1.	Jan. 1.	Jan. 1.	For the week.....	Jan. 1.	Jan. 1.	Jan. 1.
Flour, bbls.....	65,643	799,207	609,577	47,732	403,554	48,901	384,629
C. meal.....	2,367	39,511	44,557	3,332	31,768	2,135	27,860
Wheat, bus.....	23,031	2,124,259	1,413,619	37,438	3,326,505	429,214	2,921,513
Corn.....	438,082	3,421,732	1,977,832	388,935	3,056,571	193,740	2,960,232
Rye.....	260	9,272	2,504	14,360	29,647	16,980	18,798
Barley.....	79,048	1,094,138	440,537	14,360	29,647	16,980	18,798
Oats.....	240,064	1,577,306	1,377,434	7,730	49,936	8,780	26,000

The following tables show the Grain in sight and the movement of Breadstuffs to the latest mail dates:

RECEIPTS AT LAKE AND RIVER PORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 11, 1876, AND FROM AUGUST 1, 1875, TO MARCH 11, 1876:

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Barley, bus.	Rye, bus.
At—	(36 lbs.)	(60 lbs.)	(56 lbs.)	(32 lbs.)	(48 lbs.)	(56 lbs.)
Chicago.....	32,160	154,044	455,484	131,327	24,750	5,727
Milwaukee.....	24,342	287,754	12,740	12,705	18,510	2,550
Toledo.....	500	87,393	230,323	30,170	17,488	438
Detroit.....	5,923	77,424	1,683	31,856	17,488	438
Cleveland.....	2,783	9,100	2,890	7,500	2,400	3,679
St. Louis.....	25,349	88,194	417,235	39,883	22,567	9,320
Peoria.....	1,640	16,180	111,650	62,300	10,200	9,320
Duluth.....	16,080	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	92,478	716,038	1,931,918	365,941	95,915	21,644
Previous week.....	102,039	867,287	1,593,311	504,203	143,788	29,817
Corresponding week '75.....	81,562	731,940	887,455	319,523	81,069	19,258
Same time 1874.....	74,105,216	571,603	433,198	261,765	139,747	22,291
Same time 1873.....	73,107,752	591,539	864,603	497,183	145,213	21,594
Same time 1872.....	72,80,376	220,046	772,304	216,443	6,178	26,535
Same time 1871.....	74,389	211,519	342,607	171,396	31,134	10,481
Total Aug. 1 to date.....	3,061,783	45,366,309	31,154,863	17,633,331	6,185,886	1,522,441
Same time 1874-5.....	3,339,465	41,967,088	27,593,088	14,789,459	5,188,552	957,638
Same time 1873-4.....	3,384,114	56,868,640	33,319,069	16,030,914	6,489,011	1,437,124
Same time 1872-3.....	3,383,683	32,555,525	37,369,821	15,830,053	7,730,604	1,370,642

\* Estimated.

SHIPMENTS OF FLOUR AND GRAIN FROM THE PORTS OF CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE, TOLEDO, DETROIT, CLEVELAND, ST. LOUIS, PEORIA AND DULUTH FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 11, AND FROM JAN. 1 TO MARCH 11, INCLUSIVE, FOR FOUR YEARS:

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Barley, bus.	Rye, bus.
Week—						
March 11, 1876.....	95,329	385,347	1,132,745	268,541	75,130	20,212
March 4, 1876.....	118,028	409,339	1,196,511	240,959	72,718	16,400
Cor. week '75.....	93,749	273,265	903,137	175,547	58,058	12,125
Cor. week '74.....	94,795	407,767	169,74	158,127	67,805	11,453
Cor. week '73.....	93,880	154,728	335,872	251,671	82,716	3,885
Cor. week '72.....	61,863	73,148	458,865	103,538	67,059	13,352
Cor. week '71.....	61,237	57,313	255,276	44,980	30,373	1,785
Jan. 1 to Mar. 4, 1876.....	1,018,185	3,047,152	7,938,516	1,876,570	633,383	162,841
Same time 1875.....	773,183	2,436,908	3,736,109	1,590,639	510,238	150,094
Same time 1874.....	1,124,872	6,948,602	2,062,887	1,705,888	849,535	144,314
Same time 1873.....	887,067	1,402,423	2,751,701	1,946,618	782,140	80,933

RECEIPTS OF FLOUR AND GRAIN AT SEABOARD PORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 11, 1876.

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Barley, bus.	Rye, bus.
At—						
New York.....	65,656	202,950	442,903	251,205	28,500	330
Boston.....	17,227	2,035	189,865	50,459	17,300	2,380
Portland.....	12,006	53,000	17,600	2,800	212	.....
Philadelphia.....	19,690	152,400	484,400	70,700	55,685	.....
Baltimore.....	14,313	22,400	677,800	5,470	.....	1,900
New Orleans.....	10,832	.....	99,409	25,512	.....	.....
Total.....	144,698	439,785	1,863,079	405,146	101,637	4,400
Previous week.....	155,424	544,628	1,674,865	405,891	80,695	8,992
Cor. week '75.....	140,593	245,470	921,422	324,771	34,000	5,900
Total Jan. 1 to date.....	1,713,730	3,372,290	14,554,083	2,986,588	1,312,738	58,470
Same time 1875.....	1,481,872	2,965,980	11,484,700	2,795,012	450,212	41,920
Same time 1874.....	2,388,912	8,833,015	6,800,408	3,335,763	497,787	315,223
Same time 1873.....	1,465,717	1,739,941	4,378,138	3,662,970	662,957	24,162

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF GRAIN, comprising the stock in granary at the principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports, in transit by rail, and frozen in on the New York canals and on the lakes, March 11, 1876:

	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Barley, bus.	Rye, bus.
In store at New York.....	4,363,464	299,041	764,655	397,994	76,481
In store at Albany.....	9,800	12,000	85,000	190,000	27,400
In store at Buffalo.....	1,281,635	29,488	86,011	91,611	18,571
In store at Chicago.....	3,198,907	2,091,745	718,441	389,963	143,315
In store at Milwaukee.....	4,930,325	45,380	114,144	156,521	25,204
In store at Duluth.....	135,554	.....	.....	.....	.....
In store at Toledo.....	631,232	623,530	293,541	3,913	.....
In store at Detroit.....	238,717	12,004	82,191	27,196	.....
In store at Oswego.....	90,000	25,000	15,000	4,500	.....
In store at St. Louis.....	437,936	517,781	212,612	95,932	22,433
In store at Peoria.....	13,795	17,478	117,287	12,061	78,021
In store at Boston.....	1,621	45,612	206,892	45,210	142
In store at Toronto.....	318,121	1,150	5,910	206,283	1,332
In store at Montreal.....	334,345	51,774	17,456	6,541	.....
In store at Philadelphia.....	350,000	425,000	180,000	40,000	4,500
In store at Baltimore.....	33,452	70,344	58,000	3,000	1,500
Rail shipments week.....	395,347	1,152,745	568,541	75,130	20,342
On lakes and canals.....	555,554	120,000	180,000	30,000	.....
Afloat at New York.....	150,000	.....	.....	90,000	.....
Total.....	16,953,666	5,771,333	3,405,821	1,864,498	415,142
March 4, 1876.....	17,108,379	6,235,796	3,261,553	2,053,241	430,421
March 12, 1875.....	12,188,963	8,156,361	2,935,107	1,397,514	193,953

## THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

FRIDAY, P. M., March 17, 1876.

The past week has developed considerable improvement in the jobbing trade, but business has been slow with the domestic commission houses and importers. Values have been nominally unchanged in first hands, but increased discounts have been offered on certain descriptions of domestic cotton goods, and large buyers of woollens (if such could have been found) would have experienced no difficulty in obtaining price concessions on various makes of cassimeres, suitings, worsted coatings, etc. Jobbing quotations for brown and bleached cottons have presented many irregularities, and strong temptations have been held out to retail buyers in order to stimulate business, and it has not been uncommon to find these and other goods offered by the piece at less than agents' package prices. The event of the week was an auction sale of Philadelphia dress goods, of the manufacture of Messrs. Scheppers Bros., which was held on Thursday by Wilmerding, Hoguet & Co. The sale attracted a very large number of buyers and the entire balance of production was closed out at low prices. The exports of cotton goods from this port were 636 packages, of which the largest quantities were taken by Great Britain and Brazil. An interesting feature of the export trade was the shipment of a few cases of indigo blue and fancy prints to the East Indies, by way of an experiment, which may be attended with important results.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS have presented no new features of special interest. The package trade was comparatively light, but jobbing sales reached a fair aggregate amount. Brown and bleached cottons of the best corporation makes were in steady demand and nominally firm, but the supply of outside brands has increased, and a curtailment of production would be of vast benefit to the market. Corset jeans were in good demand and continue in light supply. Chevots were more active when offered at a concession from previous holding rates. Denims, tickings, checks, stripes and osnaburgs were severally in moderate request. Grain bags were placed in fair amounts by jobbers, but were quiet in first hands. Fancy prints were dull, and the supply in agents' hands has become so unwieldy that steps have been taken for curtailing production. Prices of prints were generally unchanged, but Oriental fabrics and shirtings were reduced to 64c and 6c. respectively. Wide prints and shirtings were in fair demand, and ginghams changed hands in moderate amounts. Cotton dress goods were less active. Print cloths were quiet until nearly the close of the week, when a fair demand was developed, and, after selling at 34c. standard 64x64 cloths, advanced to 34c. cash at 4c. 30 days.

DOMESTIC WOOLEN GOODS.—Transactions in men's wear woollens were chiefly restricted to the sale of small parcels of the finer grades of cassimeres, suitings and worsted coatings to local and interior jobbers. The clothing trade bought very few spring goods, but placed some orders for plain and fancy overcoatings for the fall trade, to be delivered hereafter. Black cloths and doeskins were very quiet but steady. Low and medium grade cassimeres were almost neglected, but the finer qualities were in fair request, as above stated. Low grade worsteds were dull and weak; but the best makes are firmly held. Satinets were in moderate request, and low qualities of Kentucky jeans were a little more active. Flannels were taken in small lots for keeping up assortments, and carpets were in better demand, both in Brussels and ingrain makes. Worsteds dress goods met with fair sales, and plain fabrics are steadily held. Shawls were in limited request, and woolen hosiery remained inactive.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—There was a sluggish demand for foreign goods from first hands, but increased animation was observed in some departments of the jobbing trade. Staple and fancy dress fabrics were in moderate request, and low and medium grade dress silks met with a fair distribution. Linen goods were rather quiet, and there was less than the usual demand for white goods. Fancy millinery silks were more active, and there was a steady traffic in gros-grain and taffeta ribbons. Woolen goods for men's wear were taken in small amounts by cloth jobbers, but sales were light in the aggregate amount, and prices are not satisfactory to importers. The auction rooms distributed a large quantity of foreign goods of various descriptions. Messrs. C. A. Auffmordt & Co. sold a line of Paris dress goods, through Townsend, Montant & Co., at low prices, and Messrs. E. Warburg & Co. made a large offering of dress silks, through the same firm, with fairly satisfactory results. Embroideries were largely sold at auction, but at considerably less than importation cost.



## Imports of Dry Goods.

The importations of dry goods at this port for the week ending March 16, 1876, and the corresponding weeks of 1875 and 1874 have been as follows:

ENTERED FOR CONSUMPTION FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 16, 1876.						
	1874.	Pkgs.	Value.	1875.	Pkgs.	Value.
Manufactures of wool.....	1,336	\$655,359	987	\$436,629	879	\$357,666
do cotton.....	2,137	673,363	1,069	319,374	1,113	353,001
do silk.....	753	308,971	665	434,509	682	410,583
do flax.....	1,386	372,558	864	301,711	1,096	324,500
Miscellaneous dry goods	589	203,931	2,114	221,383	3,297	110,395
Total.....	6,091	\$2,413,503	5,632	\$1,615,496	5,936	\$1,455,138

WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE AND THROWN INTO THE MARKET DURING THE SAME PERIOD:									
SAME PERIOD:									
Manufactures of wool.....	807	\$359,593	487	\$203,351	607	\$238,974	601	\$238,974	
do cotton.....	539	143,619	328	120,910	541	141,907	541	141,907	
do silk.....	125	116,015	133	144,598	133	170,006	133	170,006	
do flax.....	651	143,332	509	125,902	463	120,183	463	120,183	
Miscellaneous dry goods.....	1,387	62,552	698	25,021	2,403	51,802	2,403	51,802	
Total.....	3,359	\$815,481	2,145	\$619,873	4,170	\$723,879	4,170	\$723,879	
Add ent'd for consumption.....	6,091	\$2,413,503	5,632	\$1,615,496	5,936	\$1,455,138	5,936	\$1,455,138	
Total thrown upon m'kt.....	9,450	\$3,228,933	7,777	\$2,233,368	10,106	\$2,179,007	10,106	\$2,179,007	

ENTERED FOR WAREHOUSING DURING SAME PERIOD:						
Manufactures of wool....	774	\$324,641	1,041	\$444,067	869	\$330,461
do cotton.....	751	215,073	499	149,774	621	214,693
do silk.....	145	128,039	162	147,166	189	231,331
do flax.....	607	157,405	750	181,170	927	234,512
Miscellaneous dry goods.....	127	27,996	5,581	49,845	1,701	37,176
Total .....	2,398	\$846,144	8,033	\$973,921	4,107	\$1,028,423
Add ent'd for consumption	6,091	\$2,413,503	5,632	\$1,613,496	5,936	\$1,455,138
Total entered at the port.	8,489	\$3,259,647	13,665	\$2,587,417	10,013	\$2,483,551

## Imports of Leading Articles.

The following table, compiled from Custom House returns, shows the foreign imports of leading articles at this port since Jan. 1, 1876, and for the same period in 1875:

[The quantity is given in packages when not otherwise specified.]

	Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875		Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875
China, Glass and Earthenware.....	4,931	1,329	Metals, &c.—		
China.....	5,338	6,982	Cutlery.....	551	1,037
Glass.....	48,239	82,698	Hardware.....	161	947
Glassware.....	5,643	4,794	Iron RR. bars.....		
Glass plate.....	1,671	2,380	Lead pipe.....	4,738	18,145
Buttons.....	1,260	1,915	Spelter, lbs.....		
Coal, tons.....	5,149	2,812	Steel.....	10,856	14,353
Cocoa, bags.....	2,789	4,259	Tin, boxes.....	176,618	293,676
Coffee, bags.....	403,706	344,296	Tin slabs, lbs.....	2,519,001	1,813,588
Cotton, bales.....	597	448	Rags.....	26,826	17,140
Drugs, &c.—			Sugar, hds, tcs. & bags.....	67,394	72,899
Bark, Peruvian.....	6,566	6,634	Sugar, yrs & bags.....	495,172	607,800
Black powders.....	4,516	6,819	Tobacco.....	10,687	12,350
Cochineal.....	585	1,771	Waste.....	284	611
Cream Tartar.....	115	69	Wines, &c.—		
Gambler.....	6,741	2,485	Champagne, bks.....	14,619	15,523
Gum, Arabic.....	704	704	Wines.....	13,650	15,715
Indigo.....	1,184	961	Wool, bales.....	17,664	10,731
Madder.....	303	313	Articles reported by value—		
Oils, essential.....	138	276	Cigars.....	\$250,660	\$279,666
Oil, Olive.....	7,007	6,393	Corks.....	9,732	13,999
Opium.....	325	152	Fancy goods.....	181,832	170,358
Soda, bi-carb.....	6,477	5,400	Fish.....	126,777	71,117
Soda, sal.....	6,593	9,459	Fruits, &c.—		
Soda ash.....	9,372	11,385	Lemons.....	83,478	48,525
FLAX.....	1,183	2,371	Oranges.....	27,614	435,063
Furs.....	1,489	1,762	Nuts.....	155,000	204,455
Gunny cloth.....	500	500	Raisins.....	434,716	333,393
Hair.....	692	776	Hides, undressed.....	1,763,896	2,687,670
Hemp, bales.....	30,806	41,679	Rice.....	31,000	38,639
Hides, &c.—			Spices, &c.—		
Hides, dressed.....	270	300	Cassia.....	35,106	83,064
India rubber.....	987	1,636	Cinnamon.....	31,388	16,840
Ivory.....	10,873	9,489	Pepper.....	196,329	120,150
Jewelry, &c.—	677	1,145	Saltpetre.....	21,738	17,325
Jewelry.....	691	697	Woods.....		
Watches.....	110	188	Cork.....	86,559	51,988
Linseed.....	179,979	128,525	Fustic.....	11,911	9,549
Molasses.....	9,248	8,974	Logwood.....	207,528	70,535
			Mahogany.....	18,713	25,674

## Receipts of Domestic Produce.

The receipts of domestic produce since Jan. 1, 1876, and for the same time in 1875, have been as follows:

	Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875		Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875
Ashes.....pkgs.	1,364	1,591	Pitch.....		7
Breadstuffs.....			Oil cake.....pkgs.	112,104	53,358
Flour.....bbls.	799,207	609,877	Oil, lard.....	1,011	1,818
Wheat.....bush.	2,194,306	1,418,649	Peas.....bags.	16,893	16,443
Corn.....	2,421,215	4,777,822	Provisions.....		
Oats.....	1,567,306	1,311,434	Butter.....pkgs.	204,713	195,666
Rye.....	27,792	9,500	Cheese.....	147,693	51,501
Barley and malt.....	1,094,388	240,521	Outmeats.....	146,833	193,919
Grass seed, bags.....	53,820	31,646	Eggs.....	116,791	36,158
Peas.....bbls.	30,122	17,669	Pork.....	56,017	62,628
Peas.....bush.	294,070	95,284	Beef.....	108,569	131,921
O. meat.....bbls.	39,511	41,857	Lard.....	18,719	11,298
Cotton.....bales.	243,234	192,370	Rice.....pkgs.	18,345	3,511
Hemp.....bales.	619	839	Starch.....	56,875	26,749
Hides.....No.	763,578	698,661	Stearine.....	5,531	6,921
Hops.....bales.	37,365	4,429	Sugar.....bbls.	3	16,751
Leather.....sides.	976,613	714,020	Sugar.....hds.	7,747	6,098
Molasses.....hds.	36,574	17,963	Tallow.....pkgs.	6,980	3,421
Naval Stores.....			Tobacco.....kgs.	89,968	39,360
Or. turp.....bbls.	520	1,564	Tobacco.....hds.	23,282	43,282
Spirits turp.....	8,608	8,670	Whiskey.....bbls.	22,150	41,189
Roast.....	50,397	86,397	Wool.....bales.	11,399	6,967
Tar.....	2,867	3,134	Dressed Hogs.....No.	33,638	45,790

## Exports of Leading Articles from New York.

The following table, compiled from Custom House returns, shows the exports of leading articles from the port of New York since Jan. 1, 1876, to all the principal foreign countries, and also the totals for the last week, and since Jan. 1. The last two lines show total values, including the value of all other articles besides those mentioned in the table.

	Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875		Since Jan. 1, '76.	Same time 1875
British.....	13,138	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
French.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
German.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Italian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Spanish.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Portuguese.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Dutch.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Belgian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Swiss.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Austrian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Prussian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Russian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Sardinian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Sicilian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Saragossan.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Valencian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Maltese.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Neapolitan.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Piedmontese.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Savoyard.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Genovese.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Ligurian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Emilian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Marchigian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Umbrian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Tuscan.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Lazian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Abruzzian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Molise.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
Basilian.....	1,045	1,045	Other W. Europe.....	1,731	1,731
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**GENERAL  
PRICES CURRENT.**

APLES.—	.....	5	10
BREASTSTUFFS—See special report.			
BUILDING MATERIALS—			
Bricks—Common hard, almost.....	¢ M	1 50	4 00
Croton.....		11 00	7 00
Philadelphia facing.....		28 00	10 00
Cement—Rosemount.....	¢ bbl.	1 40	8 50
Rockland—Rockland, common.....	¢ bbl.	1 00	8 00
Rockland.....		1 00	8 00
Lumber—Southern pine.....	¢ M feet	20 30	82 00
White pine box boards.....		15 90	21 00
White pine merchant box boards.....		13 00	21 00
Cleats.....		16 00	35 00
Oak and ash.....		38 00	40 00
Blackwalnut.....		75 00	20 00
Spruce boards & planks.....		18 00	22 00
Do.....		16 00	20 00
Nails—Osgood, com. fen & sh. w. keg.....	¢ 25	8 25	8 10
Clinch, 1½ to 3 in. & longer.....	¢ 25	8 25	5 50
Do.....	¢ 25	8 25	5 50
Paints—Ld., wh. Am. pure, in oil.....	¢ 10	9 25	10 00
Lead, wh., Am. pure dry.....	¢ 2	9 25	10 00
Zinc, wh., Am. dry, No. 1.....	¢ 7	7 75	8 00
Paris white, Am. No. 1, in oil.....	¢ 11	11 25	12 00
Paris white, Am. No. 1, in oil.....	¢ 11	11 25	12 00
BUTTER—(Wholesale Prices)—			
Half firkins (East'n) com. to sel. w. b.....	¢ 22	40	40
Welsh tubs.....	¢ 22	40	40
Half firkins (West'n).....	¢ 22	40	40
Welsh tubs.....	¢ 22	40	40
CHKES—			
New State factory, fair to good, w. b.....	¢ 11	11 25	12 00
Western, good to prime.....	¢ 9	9 25	10 00
COAL—			
Anthracite (by cargo).....	¢ ton.	5 00	6 00
Liverpool gas channel.....		10 00	10 00
Liverpool house channel.....		14 00	16 00
COFFEE—			
Rio, ord. car. 30 days and gold, w. b.....	¢ 15	15	15
do fair powder.....	¢ 15	15	15
do good, do.....	¢ 15	15	15
do prime, do.....	¢ 15	15	15
Java, mado and bags.....	¢ 22	22	22
Curacao.....	¢ 17	17	17
Marsaibo.....	¢ 15	15	15
Laguayra.....	¢ 17	17	17
St. Domingo.....	¢ 15	15	15
Savanna.....	¢ 16	16	16
Costa Rica.....	¢ 17	17	17
COFFEE—			
Bolts.....	¢ 2	2	2
Sheathing, new (over 100).....	¢ 2	2	2
Brooklyn.....	¢ 2	2	2
American lugot, Lake.....	¢ 22	22	22
COTTON—See special report.			
DRUGS & DYES—			
Alum, lump.....	¢ 2	2	2
Argols, crude.....	¢ 15	15	15
Argols, refined.....	¢ 15	15	15
Arsenic, powdered.....	¢ 8	8	8
Bicarb. soda, Newcastl. w. 100 b.....	¢ 4	4	4
Bicarb. potash.....	¢ 15	15	15
Brimstone, crude.....	¢ 34	34	34
Brimstone, Am. roll.....	¢ 8	8	8
Cannister refined.....	¢ 27	27	27
Castor oil, refined.....	¢ 4	4	4
Cauldron.....	¢ 12	12	12
Chlorate potash.....	¢ 21	21	21
Dochnell, Honduras.....	¢ 45	45	45
Dochnell, Mexican.....	¢ 42	42	42
Corn meal, prime Am. & Fr.....	¢ 8	8	8
Jabobs, East India.....	¢ 8	8	8
Dutch.....	¢ 6	6	6
Gambier.....	¢ 10	10	10
Alum, lump.....	¢ 2	2	2
Glycerine, American pure.....	¢ 17	17	17
Jalap.....	¢ 10	10	10
Licorice paste, do.....	¢ 30	30	30
Licorice paste, Sicily.....	¢ 30	30	30
Licorice paste, Spanish, solid.....	¢ 30	30	30
Madder, Dutch.....	¢ 6	6	6
Madder, French.....	¢ 10	10	10
Oil, vitriol (see Brimstone).....	¢ 12	12	12
Opium, Turkey..... (In bond), gold.....	¢ 123	123	123
Prussiate potash, yellow, Am. cur.....	¢ 27	27	27
Quinine.....	¢ 20	20	20
Rubarb, China, good to pr.....	¢ 60	175	175
Salt soda, Newcastl. w. 100 b, gold.....	¢ 145	145	145
Soda ash, ord. w. 100 b, gold.....	¢ 124	124	124
Sugar of lead, white.....	¢ 174	174	174
Vitriol, blue, common.....	¢ 8	8	8
FISH—			
Gold's and Grand Bank cod, per wt.....	¢ 45	45	45
Mackerel, No. 1, shore (new) pr. bbl.....	¢ 25	25	25
Mackerel, No. 1, Bay.....	¢ 20	20	20
Mackerel, No. 2, shore (new).....	¢ 10	10	10
Mackerel, No. 2, Bay.....	¢ 15	15	15
FLAX—			
North River, prime.....	¢ 15	15	15
FRUIT—			
Baisins, Seedless, new, per 50 lb. frail.....	¢ 6	6	6
do Leyer, new.....	¢ 45	45	45
Citrus, Valencia, new.....	¢ 10	10	10
do Sultana, new.....	¢ 10	10	10
do Valencia, new.....	¢ 10	10	10
Currants, new.....	¢ 6	6	6
Citrus, Valencia, new.....	¢ 20	20	20
Prunes, Turkish.....	¢ 10	10	10
do French, new.....	¢ 10	10	10
Dates, new.....	¢ 5	5	5
Figs, new.....	¢ 10	10	10
Canton Ginger.....	¢ 11	11	11
Sardines, w. h. box.....	¢ 21	21	21
Sardines, w. o. box.....	¢ 14	14	14
Mackerel, No. 1, Bay.....	¢ 14	14	14
Domestic Dried—			
Apples, South, sliced, 1875 crop, w. b.....	¢ 10	10	10
do Tenn., quarters.....	¢ 8	8	8
do S. E., do.....	¢ 10	10	10
do do quarters.....	¢ 10	10	10
do Western, quarters.....	¢ 8	8	8
Peaches, pared, G. good & prime.....	¢ 14	14	14
do unpared, halves and qrs.....	¢ 11	11	11
Blackberries, new.....	¢ 11	11	11
Raspberries, new.....	¢ 27	27	27
Cherries.....	¢ 21	21	21
Plums.....	¢ 20	20	20
GUNNIES—See report under Cotton.			
HEMP AND JUTE—			
American, andressed.....	¢ ton.	195 00	241 00
Russia, clean.....	¢ ton.	220 00	225 00
Italian.....	¢ ton.	260 00	275 00
Spain, clean.....	¢ ton.	240 00	245 00
Jute.....	¢ ton.	45 00	45 00

**GUNPOWDER—**  
**BLASTING FOR RAILROADS, &C.**

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**SILK-**

Tea, Nos. 1 & 2.....	5 80	5 37 1/2
Tea, Nos. 3 & 4.....	4 80	5 37 1/2
Tea, Nos. 5 & 6.....	5 13 1/2	5 30
Canton, re-reeled No. 1 & 2 Cotingoun	4 75	5 30
<b>SPICES—</b>		
Pepper, Batavia.....	9 1/2	.....
do Singapore.....	14	.....
do white.....	23	.....
Cassia, China Lignea.....	22	22 1/2
do Batavia.....	10	22
Ginger African.....	9	.....
do Calcutta.....	10	3 1/2
Mace.....	1 05	1 10
Nutmegs, Batavia and Penang.....	92 1/2	97 1/2
Pimento, Jamaica.....	13 1/2	.....
Gloves.....	10	12
do Home.....	15	16
<b>SPLITTER—</b>		
Foreign.....	7 37 1/2	.....
Domestic.....	7 62 1/2	7 75
<b>SUGAR—</b>		
Cuba, int. to com. refining.....	6 1/2	7 1/2
do fair.....	7 1/2	.....
do good refining.....	7 1/2	.....
do prime, refining.....	7 1/2	.....
do fair to good grocery.....	7 1/2	.....
do centr. hds. & bxs, Nos. 9 & 13	8 1/2	8 1/2
Molasses, hds & bxs.....	6 1/2	.....
Melasses.....	4	.....
Hav. A. Box, D. S. Nos. 100.....	6 1/2	7 1/2
do do do 100 12.....	7 1/2	.....
do do do 100 15.....	7 1/2	.....
do do do 100 18.....	8 1/2	8 1/2
do do do 100 20.....	9 1/2	9 1/2
do do do white.....	9 1/2	10 1/2
Porto Rico, refining, com. to prime.....	7 1/2	.....
do do grocery, fair to choice.....	7 1/2	.....
Brasil, Bag. D. S. Nos. 9 & 11.....	7 1/2	.....
Java, do. D. S. No. 100 12.....	7 1/2	.....
Manila, superior to ex. sup.....	7 1/2	.....
N. O. refined to grocery grades.....	7 1/2	.....
Hard, crushed.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
Hard, powdered.....	10 1/2	10 1/2
do granulated.....	10 1/2	11
do cut loaf.....	10 1/2	.....
Best white, A. standard centr.....	9 1/2	.....
do do do A.....	9 1/2	.....
white extra C.....	9 1/2	9 1/2
Yellow.....	9 1/2	9 1/2
Other Yellow.....	8	9
<b>TALLOW—</b>		
Prime city.....	5 1/2	9
Western.....	5 1/2	.....
<b>TOBACCO—</b>		
Kentucky lugs, heavy, n. crop.....	7 1/2	7
do leaf.....	5	15
Seed leaf—New Eng. wrappers.....	20	18
do do fillers, 70.....	18	25
Pennsylvania assorted lugs.....	50	1 25
Havana, com. to fine.....	14	22
Manufact'd in bond, black work.....	19	.....
do "bright work.....	19	.....
<b>WOOL—</b>		
American X.....	40	45
American No. 1 & 2.....	38	45
American, Combing.....	50	47
Extra, Pulled.....	40	57
No. 1, Pulled.....	30	57
California, Spring Clip.....	30	35
Superior, unwashed.....	30	35
Medium.....	30	35
Coarse.....	30	35
Burry.....	20	23
South An. K. un. unwashed.....	.....	.....
Cape Good Hope, unwashed.....	32	37
Texas, fine, Eastern.....	33	37
Texas, medium, Eastern.....	30	35
Smyrna, unwashed.....	17	19
<b>ZINC—</b>		
Sheet.....	5 1/2	5 1/2
<b>FREIGHTS—</b>		
TO LIVERPOOL:	STRAIGHT	SALE
Cotton.....	S. d. S. d. S. d.	S. d. S. d.
Flour.....	25 0 23 0	14 9 25 0
Oil.....	30 0 23 0	35 0 25 0
Corra, b'k & b'g.....	7 0	7 0
Wheat, bulk & bag.....	6 0	6 0
Pork.....	3 9 2	3 8